

## Family Affair



### Obama Returns to Kenya, Reunites With Father's Family

U.S. President Barack Obama hugs his half-sister Auma Obama, center left, accompanied by Kenya's President Uhuru Kenyatta, center-right, as he arrives at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi, Kenya Friday, July 24, 2015. Obama began his first visit to Kenya as U.S. president Friday.

(AP Photo/Ben Curtis)

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**NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)** — Fulfilling the hopes of millions of Kenyans, Barack Obama returned to his father's homeland Friday for

the first time as U.S. president, a long sought visit by a country that considers him a local son.

The president spent the evening reuniting with his Kenyan family, including his elderly step-grandmother

who made the trip to the capital of Nairobi from her rural village. U.S. and Kenyan flags lined the main road from Nairobi's airport, and billboards heralding Obama's trip dotted the city.

"I don't think that Kenyans think of Obama as African-American. They think of him as Kenyan-American," said EJ Hogendoorn, deputy program director for Africa at the International Crisis Group.

Obama's link to Kenya is a father he barely knew, but whose influence can nonetheless be seen in his son's presidency.

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# Barack Obama Returns to Kenya

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Obama has spoken candidly about growing up without his Kenyan-born father and feeling "the weight of that absence." A White House initiative to support young men of color who face similar circumstances has become a project dear to Obama, one he plans to continue after leaving the White House.

In Africa, Obama has used his late father's struggle to overcome government corruption as a way to push leaders to strengthen democracies. He's expected to make good governance and democracy-building a centerpiece of his two days of meetings and speeches in Nairobi, as well as a stop next week in Ethiopia.

of Hawaii. There, he met Stanley Ann Dunham, a white woman from Kansas. They would soon marry and have a son, who was named after his father.

The elder Obama left Hawaii when he son was just two years old, first to continue his studies at Harvard, then to return to Kenya. The future president and his father would see each other just once more, when the son was 10 years old. Obama's father died in a car crash in 1982, at age 46.

"I didn't have a dad in the house," Obama said last year during a White House event for My Brother's Keeper, his initiative for young men. "I was angry about it, even though I didn't necessarily realize it at the time."

Obama's first trip to Kenya

President Jomo Kenyatta over tribal divisions and allegations of corruption. He was ultimately fired by the president, sending him into a tailspin of financial problems and heavy drinking.

The Kenyan leader Obama will meet with this weekend, Uhuru Kenyatta, is the son of the president his father confronted decades ago.

Obama met most of his Kenyan family for the first time on that initial trip to his father's home country. As he stepped off Air Force One Friday, he was greeted by half-sister Auma Obama, pulling her into a warm embrace.

The siblings then joined about three dozen family members at a restaurant at the president's hotel for a private dinner.

Logistical constraints and



**A Kenyan vendor sells American and Kenyan flags, in Nairobi, Kenya Friday, July 24, 2015. A massive security operation is in place to protect President Obama during his visit to Kenya.**

(AP Photo/Khalil Senosi)

## Kenyan security on high alert over President Obama's visit

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**NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)** — A massive security operation is in place to protect President Barack Obama during his visit to Kenya, which has been frequently targeted by al-Shabab militants based in neighboring Somalia.

Ahead of Obama's arrival Friday evening, large numbers of security forces patrolled in the Kenyan capital, Nairobi. Several U.S. military aircraft were spotted flying around the city. There have also been significant military attacks on Islamic militant targets in Somalia in recent weeks. Major Nairobi roads will be temporarily closed and authorities said the international airport will be closed at times coinciding with Obama's landing and departure Sunday for Ethiopia. Safaricom, a mobile network operator, warned of disruptions while Obama is in Nairobi to meet entrepreneurs and hold talks with Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta.

"We recognize the fact that as the most protected individual in the world, there will be some security measures undertaken by his team which could include the temporary disruption of mobile signals close to where the President is at any given time," Safaricom said.

Al-Shabab, which is linked to al-Qaida, has conducted major attacks in Kenya,

including the 2013 attack on Nairobi's Westgate mall and an April attack in Garissa town that killed nearly 150 people.

This month, Somali officials said African Union and local troops seized Bardhere, one of the last major towns held by extremists in Somalia's southwest. A militant commander was also killed in a U.S. drone strike, according to Somali and U.S. officials.

A Somali intelligence official told The Associated Press that the use of surveillance drones has increased in the past two weeks.

"They are watching militants' movements towards Kenya so closely," said the official, who requested anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media.

Obama's schedule includes a Sunday address at a Nairobi stadium that will be broadcast live on Kenyan radio and television. U.S. Ambassador Robert Godec said attendance is by invitation only to representatives from "a wide range of Kenyan society" despite speculation that huge crowds would gather.

"We discourage people from coming to the venue if they're not explicitly invited," Godec said.

Obama, whose father was Kenyan, will have time for meetings with relatives during his visit, said the ambassador. □



**Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta, left, talks with President Barack Obama as he signs a guest book after arriving at Kenyatta International Airport, on Friday, July 24, 2015, in Nairobi. Obama is traveling on a two-nation African tour where he will become the first sitting U.S. president to visit Kenya and Ethiopia.**

(AP Photo/Evan Vucci)

"In my father's life, it was partly tribalism and patronage and nepotism in an independent Kenya that for a long stretch derailed his career," Obama said during a 2009 trip to Ghana, his first visit to Africa as president. "We know that this kind of corruption is still a daily fact of life for far too many."

The president's father, Barack Obama, Sr., left Kenya as a young man to study at the University

nearly 30 years ago was a quest to fill in the gaps in the story of his father's life. In his memoir "Dreams From My Father," Obama wrote that at the time of his death, "my father remained a mystery to me, both more and less than a man."

What Obama uncovered was a portrait of a talented, but troubled man. An economist for the Kenyan government, the senior Obama clashed with then-

security precautions prevented Obama from visiting Kogelo, the village where his father lived and is buried, on this trip. Sarah Obama, the step-grandmother he calls "Granny," still lives in the village.

Despite the intense focus on the American leader's local roots, the White House has cast the trip as one focused on the relationship between the U.S. and Kenya, not the president and his family. □



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## Kerry: Agreement on Iran issue only alternative to force

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Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Secretary of State John Kerry said Friday that if the U.S. Congress disapproves of the Iranian nuclear deal, it will undermine President Barack Obama's ability to act throughout the world. It would be a "repudiation of President Obama's initiative and a statement that when the executive department negotiates, it doesn't mean anything anymore because we have 535 Secretaries of State," Kerry said, referring to the number of members of the House and Senate. Kerry defended the nuclear deal the U.S. and five other world powers negotiated with Iran at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, saying that the deal struck last week in Vienna is the only alternative to military action and must be tested if diplomacy is to



**Secretary of State John Kerry testifies at a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on Capitol Hill, in Washington, to review the Iran nuclear agreement. Kerry said Friday that if the U.S. Congress disapproves of the Iranian nuclear deal, it will undermine President Barack Obama's ability to act throughout the world.**

succeed. In a reprise of his testimony Thursday before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Kerry said the agreement is the best way to prevent Iran from developing an atomic weapon. If Congress rejects the deal, he said Iranian hardliners would speed ahead with

(AP Photo/Andrew Harnik)  
their nuclear program and the international sanctions regime would collapse. He said there is more chance of a nuclear arms race in the Middle East without the recently negotiated deal. Kerry appeared on NBC's "Today" show and was addressing the Council on

Foreign Relations before meeting with the leaders of the American Jewish Committee and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. Some Jewish groups have vehemently opposed the deal with Iran, which has pledged to destroy Israel. Kerry has been front and center in the Obama administration's campaign to sell the deal to skeptical lawmakers. Congress has started a 60-day review of the agreement, which lifts economic sanctions against Iran if it curbs its nuclear program's capacity to build a nuclear weapon. Slowly, a number of congressional Democrats have begun lining up behind the deal. Rep. Sam Farr, a Democrat, said he supports the agreement and described the upcoming vote in Congress as a "vote on something that will avoid

war." At a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on Thursday, Kerry said that it is "fantasy, plain and simple," to claim that President Barack Obama failed to insist on enough restraints on Iran's nuclear program before agreeing to lift economic sanctions long in place. "So what's your plan? ... Totally go to war?" he challenged lawmakers who want to torpedo the deal. "If the U.S., after laboriously negotiating this multilateral agreement with five other partners, were to walk away from those partners, we're on our own," Kerry said. "Our partners will not walk away with us. Instead, they will walk away from the tough multilateral sanctions regime that they've helped to put in place, and we will have squandered the best chance we have to solve this problem through peaceful means." □



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## Donald Trump loved and hated by Hispanics in border city

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**LAREDO, Texas (AP)** — Billionaire businessman Donald Trump's visit Thursday to a small Texas city on the U.S.-Mexico border where the Republican presidential candidate spent less than an hour touring the border, bragged to reporters about the danger he faced and proclaimed Hispanics love him.

Yet beyond the spectacle the celebrity known as The Donald seems to create wherever he goes, his visit exposed evidence of a divided community whose overwhelmingly Hispanic population both decried Trump as racist and cheered his hardline immigration views. Interviews during and after the whirlwind tour with more than a dozen local residents underscored the danger Trump represents to the Republicans' complicated relationship with Hispanic



Republican presidential hopeful Donald Trump listens to a question at the World Trade International Bridge in Laredo, Texas, Thursday, July 23, 2015.

(AP Photo/LM Otero)

voters and his appeal to a vocal segment of frustrated voters, many Hispanics among them, who see a glaring problem on the Mexican border that requires attention.

While Hispanic voters along the U.S.-Texas border have a unique perspective, the vast majority of America's biggest minority group sup-

ports more forgiving immigration policies that would allow a pathway to citizenship or permanent residency for the millions of immigrants in the U.S. illegally, according to recent polls. While Trump has dominated coverage of the Republican primary race lately, he remains a long-shot for the White House.

He is viewed favorably by just 28 percent of Americans and unfavorably by 58 percent, according to an Associated Press-GfK poll conducted earlier in the month. About one-third of whites, but just 16 percent of Hispanics and 10 percent of blacks, have a favorable view of Trump. Jessica Gonzalez, 79, a retired housewife who was born and raised in Laredo, said she'd watched as the city she'd grown up in had changed, with restaurants replaced with Mexican food and new people coming in.

"I think he's right," she said in the parking lot of a local store. "All we have is people from foreign countries. ... It's not like it used to be." Gonzalez — a Democrat — and her husband used to travel across the border frequently to shop and for entertainment, but are now afraid to cross because of violence from the

drug cartels.

"I want to go down and say: Donald Trump, you're on fire in Laredo! Because everybody feels what you think!" she said.

Outside Obregon's Mexican Restaurant, Enrique Harrington Ramon, 75, said he felt Spanish-speaking immigrants "take advantage of us" in Laredo, and said people are responding to what Trump says "because it's the truth."

"I am sick of walking into a store and hearing 'en que le puede ayudar?' What country are we in?" he said.

Others in this growing city of about 250,000, where 95.6 percent of the population identified as Hispanic or Latino in 2010, lashed out at Trump, who described some Mexican immigrants in the country illegally as "rapists" and "criminals" during his announcement speech last month and has refused to apologize. □



# Police: Theater gunman killed with handgun he bought legally

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**LAFAYETTE, Louisiana (AP)**

— A man who lost his family, home and businesses as he spent years angrily espousing right-wing extremism on television, the Internet and to anyone else who would listen did not say a word as he opened fire on strangers in a darkened movie theater, authorities said Friday.

John Russell Houser, 59, stood up about 20 minutes into Thursday night's showing of "Trainwreck" and fired on the audience, killing two people and wounding nine with a semi-automatic handgun.

"That was a horrific scene in there — the blood on the floor, sticks in the seats (showing the trajectory of the bullets), the smell," state police Col. Michael Edmonson said after top officials got an inside look at the theater.

"He took his time, methodically choosing his victims," Gov. Bobby Jindal added. "One of the surviving wounded victims actually played dead to stay alive." Houser then tried to escape by blending into the fleeing crowd after one of his victims pulled a fire alarm and hundreds poured out of the theater complex. But he turned back as police officers approached, reloading and firing into the crowd before killing himself with a single shot inside the theater, police said.

"This is such a senseless, tragic action," Lafayette Police Chief Jim Craft said. "Why would you come here and do something like this?"

Investigators recovered Houser's journals, were studying his online postings and trying to reconstruct his movements to identify a motive and provide what Edmonson called "some closure" for the victims' families.

Craft said Houser bought the weapon legally at a pawnshop in Phenix City, Alabama, last year, and that he had visited the theater more than once, per-



Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal carries a bouquet of flowers to the Grand 16 Theatre following the Thursday night shooting in Lafayette, La., Friday, July 24, 2015.

(Paul Kieu/The Daily Advertiser via AP)

haps to determine "whether there was anything that could be a soft target for him."

He had only been in Louisiana since early July, staying in a Motel 6 room littered with wigs and disguises. His only known connection to the Lafayette was an uncle who died there three decades ago. Details quickly emerged about Houser's mental problems, prompting authorities in Louisiana and Alabama to bemoan the underfunding of mental health services in America. Court records describe erratic behavior and threats of violence that led to a brief involuntary hospitalization in 2008 and a restraining order preventing Houser from approaching family members. Houser "has a history of mental health issues, i.e., manic depression and/or bi-polar disorder," his estranged wife told the judge.

Educated in accounting and law, he owned bars in Georgia — including one where he flew a Nazi banner out front as an anti-government statement. He tried real estate in Phenix City, Alabama. But Houser's own resume, posted online, says what he really loved to do was make provocative statements at lo-

cal board meetings and in the media.

On an NBC television affiliate's call-in show in the 1990s, Houser encouraged violent responses to abortion and condemned working women, host Calvin Floyd recalled. He was

an "angry man" who spoke opposite a Democrat and really lit up the phones, he added.

Houser wrote that he was a weekly guest for 60 episodes on "Rise and Shine WLTZ" in Columbus, Georgia, where he "invited po-

litical controversy on every one of them, and loved every minute of it."

In recent years, Houser turned to right-wing extremist Internet message boards, where he praised Adolf Hitler, and advised people not to underestimate "the power of the lone wolf," according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, whose hate-group watchdogs spotted Houser registering to meet with former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke in 2005.

What prompted Houser to kill people Thursday night remains unknown.

He seemed like just another patron as he entered Lafayette's Grand 16 theater, one of 25 people who bought tickets to the romantic comedy starring feminist jokester Amy Schumer as a boozing, promiscuous reporter.

Police believe he hoped to escape his deadly ambush before police closed in. Inside a Motel 6 room he rented, they found wigs, glasses and other disguises. □

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# New federal inquiry into Clinton emails fuels political questions

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A new letter by federal intelligence investigators says secret U.S. government information may have been compromised in Hillary Rodham Clinton's private server, underscoring an inescapable reality for her presidential campaign:

the U.S. intelligence community recently alerted the Justice Department to the potential compromise of classified information arising from Clinton's server. The IG also sent a memo to members of Congress that he had identified "potentially hundreds of classified emails" among the 30,000 that Clinton had provided to the State Department —

than when she launched her presidential campaign just three months ago. Just 3 in 10 said the word "honest" describes her very or somewhat well. A statement from the intelligence inspector general, I. Charles McCullough and his counterpart at the State Department, Steve Linick, said that McCullough's office found four emails con-



Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Rodham Clinton speaks Friday, July 24, 2015, at the New York University Leonard N. Stern School of Business in New York. Federal investigators have alerted the Justice Department to a "potential compromise of classified information" arising from the private email server used by Clinton in her home, a department official said Friday.

(AP Photo/Mary Altaffer)

Email is forever. Clinton, the former secretary of state and now the leading Democratic presidential candidate, wants to focus on the economic issues she and her team believe will drive the 2016 election. But they remain unable to fully escape the swirling questions surrounding her decision to run her State Department email correspondence through an unsecured system set up at her New York state home. For Clinton, the news amounted to a major distraction on a day when she'd hoped to focus on unveiling a new set of economic policies. Instead, she opened her New York City speech by addressing the controversy, decrying some reports as inaccurate. The inspector general of

a concern the office said it raised with FBI counterintelligence officials. Though the referral to the Justice Department does not seek a criminal probe and does not specifically target Clinton, the latest steps by government investigators will further fuel the partisan furor surrounding the 55,000 pages of emails already under review by the State Department. Though the probe is not criminal and does not specifically target Clinton, the latest steps by government investigators will further fuel the partisan furor surrounding the 55,000 pages of emails already under review by the State Department. An Associated Press-GfK poll released last week found that voters view her as less decisive and inspiring

taining classified information in a limited sample of 40 emails. "This classified information should have never been transmitted via an unclassified personal system," they said. Some media initially reported that Justice Department had been asked to consider a criminal investigation into whether she mishandled her emails. "We are all accountable to the American people to get the facts right, and I will do my part but I'm also going to stay focused on the issues," she said. It was not immediately clear whether the Justice Department would investigate the potential compromise highlighted by the intelligence inspector general, I. Charles McCullough. □

## Texas jail death focuses new attention on inmate suicides

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**DALLAS (AP)** — When Sandra Bland died in a small Texas jail last week, she became just the latest name on a long list of inmates whose deaths were determined to be suicides. Bland's death following her arrest for a minor traffic violation added fresh fuel to the national debate over police use of force on blacks. It also focused new attention on the longstanding problem of inmates who take their own lives.

The traffic stop "is one issue and that will be dealt with," Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick said earlier this week. "But she lost her life in the jail. And that's what we have to look at." If the correct procedures had been in place, "maybe she would be alive today."

Suicide is the leading cause of death in U.S. jails after natural illness. In fact, inmates take their own lives three times more often than the average population, according to a 2010 study cited in the National Study of Jail Suicide.

Since 2000, the total number of jail suicides has remained fairly constant — around 300 a year, according to the federal government's Bureau of Justice Statistics. Improved awareness and monitoring have helped make suicides far less common than in the 1980s or 1990s.

Statistically, white male inmates are most likely to die by their own hand, both nationally and in Texas. Women make up just a fraction of total jail suicides, and Bland was the only black woman found to have killed herself in a Texas jail since 2009. The heightened risk of suicide behind bars results from various factors, including those that arise from the jail environment itself.

State law requires county jails to determine an inmate's suicide risk and whether enhanced

security measures are needed. The state only requires that an inmate be observed in person at least once every hour. An inmate who may be suicidal or who displays bizarre behavior must be checked every 30 minutes.

A suicide prevention plan filed by the Waller County Jail, where Bland was found dead July 13, requires all jailers to get two hours of annual mental health training. It also says inmates with high suicide risk should be observed every 5 minutes. The four-page plan was filed in 2010 with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, which released it Friday to The Associated Press. The plan sets out the same requirements for all inmates deemed suicidal: a paper gown instead of cloth, isolation in a single cell and no allowances for personal property or linens. Michele Deitch, a University of Texas law school lecturer, said those guidelines could make things worse for lower-risk inmates and cause them to lie about their thoughts. Deitch argued the plan did not require enough training for jail staff, based on best practices set out by mental health experts. The plan also only requires investigations of "completed suicides" and not all attempts, and doesn't require creating cells without hooks or other problematic features.

Waller County Sheriff Glenn Smith has said Bland was not on suicide watch and was supposed to be observed once every hour. But he also acknowledged that jailers at least once violated state rules by interacting with her via intercom and not in-person. The intercom conversation, during which Bland asked how to make an outgoing call using a phone in her cell, came about an hour before her body was found July 13 hanging from a noose fashioned from a plastic garbage-can liner. □



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## US Financial Front: New-home sales hit June slump

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WASHINGTON (AP) —

Fewer Americans bought new homes in June, a possible sign that the real estate market might not be as hot as it appeared at the start of summer.

The Commerce Department said Friday that new-home sales slumped 6.8 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 482,000. The report also revised May sales down to a rate of 517,000 from 546,000.

The June slowdown indicates the potential limits of the earlier momentum. A nearly two-year hiring streak and low mortgage rates had been spurring stronger sales through much of the year. New-home purchases have vaulted up 21.2 percent through the first half of 2015, although the government sales report is volatile on a monthly basis.

Jennifer Lee, a senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, said the decline "poured cold water on the festive tones" from past reports of accelerating sales.

Some analysts downplayed the report as representing a sliver of the real estate market.

"While the June report is disappointing, new-home sales represents a small portion of total home sales (just 8 percent)," said Bricklin Dwyer, an analyst at the bank BNP Paribas.

But last month's slump could muddle expectations that the real estate sector will spur stronger economic growth in the coming months.

The median sales price has slipped 1.8 percent to \$281,800 over the past 12 months. Buying fell in the Midwest, South and West, while rising sharply in the Northeast.

Supplies remain remarkably



A sign indicates a site has been sold in a new home development in Nashville, Tenn. The Commerce Department reported on sales of new homes in June on Friday, July 24, 2015.

(AP Photo/Mark Humphrey)

tight with few new listings coming onto the market and construction expanding at a slower pace than sales of new homes. That may be a sign that the current strength in the market could wane as would-be buyers become frustrated by their limited

options.

There are 5.4 months' supply of new homes available, compared to six months in a healthy market. Construction of single-family houses has risen 9.1 percent year to date, less than half the pace of sales growth for new homes.

There are other reports that the housing sector carried its previous momentum through June.

Sales of existing homes increased 3.2 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.49 million, the National Association of Realtors said

## Federal Reserve: Confidential forecasts mistakenly made public

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WASHINGTON (AP) —

The Federal Reserve said Friday it mistakenly posted confidential economic projections on its public website last month.

In a brief statement, the Fed said it has asked its inspector general to investigate what it called an inadvertent disclosure.

The incident occurred at a time when the central bank is already the subject of investigations by the Justice Department, a House committee and its inspector general involving the disclosure of confidential information from a 2012

Fed meeting.

The economic projections posted on June 29 had been prepared by staff for the Fed's June meeting. Late Friday, the Fed posted a second set of projections saying it had discovered some errors in the first posting. The errors involved the Fed's forecast for overall economic growth, as measured by the gross domestic product, and inflation.

In a hastily arranged conference call with reporters, Fed officials said they had no immediate explanation for how the incorrect numbers got into the June 29 posting but that it would be one of the issues the Fed's

inspector general would explore. The officials said they wanted to update the posting so that it would accurately represent the forecast presented to Fed officials at their June meeting. Private economists said the staff forecast did not contain any surprising revelations about the Fed's views. The staff projections are prepared for the Fed's closed-door meetings and are not normally released for a period of five years. The Fed said the mistaken posting was not discovered until Tuesday when it was noticed by a Fed economist.

The economic projections

were included in a file that contained information on the computer model the Fed uses to forecast the economy. Once the mistake was discovered, the Fed said it decided not to remove the data since it was already public.

The Fed alerted the agency's inspector general on Thursday, and also notified officials at two agencies that regulate financial markets, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. It also informed the House Financial Services Committee, the panel that is conducting its own investigation of

the 2012 leak.

"It regrettably appears once again that proper internal controls are not in place to safeguard confidential Federal Reserve information," said Financial Services Committee Chairman Jeb Hensarling, R-Texas, said in a statement. "To say these recurring leaks at the Fed are troubling is a serious understatement and points to the urgent need for accountability reforms."

The Fed, which will meet for two days next week, has kept its benchmark for short-term interest rates at a record low near zero since December 2008. □



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## In shift, Turkish jets strike Islamic State targets in Syria



Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan speaks to the media in front of a mosque in Istanbul, Turkey, Friday, July 24, 2015.

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**Associated Press**

**ANKARA, Turkey (AP)** — In a major tactical shift, Turkish warplanes struck Islamic State group targets across the border in Syria on Friday, a day after IS militants fired at a Turkish military outpost. A Syrian rights group said the airstrikes killed nine IS fighters. Turkey, which straddles Europe and Asia and borders the Middle East, had long

been reluctant to join the U.S.-led coalition against the extremist group. In a related, long-awaited development, Turkey said it has agreed to allow U.S.-led coalition forces to base manned and unmanned aircraft at its air bases for operations targeting the IS group. A Turkish Foreign Ministry statement said Turkey's military would also take part in the operations. The ministry would not pro-

vide details on the agreement, citing operational reasons, but said it expected Turkey's cooperation to "make a difference" to the campaign. The statement did not say which bases would be used, but Turkish media reports said they would include Incirlik, Diyarbakir and Batman, all in southern Turkey near the border with Syria. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan confirmed earlier that Turkey had agreed to

(AP Photo/Depo Photos)

let the U.S. use Incirlik air base for operations "within a certain framework." A U.S. official said the agreement was reached during a phone call this week with President Barack Obama. In June 2014, the Islamic State group launched a blitz, capturing large parts of Iraq and of Syria — which has been ravaged by a four-year-old civil war. The group subsequently declared an Islamic caliphate on the territory it controls. The U.S.-led coalition has been striking the group in both Syria and Iraq. Turkish police also launched a major operation Friday against extremist groups including the Islamic State, detaining more than 290 people in simultaneous raids in Istanbul and 12 provinces. Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu said the airstrikes Friday had "removed potential threats" to Turkey, hitting their targets with "100 percent accuracy." He did not rule out further airstrikes, saying Turkey was determined to stave off all

terror threats.

"This was not a point operation, this is a process," Davutoglu said. "It is not limited to one day or to one region ... the slightest movement threatening Turkey will be retaliated against in the strongest way possible."

A government official said three F-16 jets took off from Diyarbakir air base in south-east Turkey early Friday and used smart bombs to hit three IS targets. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of government rules requiring authorization for comment. Rami Abdurrahman, who heads the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said the three Turkish airstrikes were all near the border, hitting north of the village of Hawar al-Nahr, east of the Rai area and west of the town of Jarablous.

He said the airstrikes killed nine IS fighters, wounded 12 others and destroyed at least one IS vehicle and a heavy machine gun.

The private Dogan news agency said as many as 35 IS militants were killed in the airstrikes, but did not cite a source.

The Observatory also reported that an airstrike targeted a post near the border with Turkey for al-Qaida's affiliate in Syria, the Nusra Front. It said it was not clear if Turkish warplanes or those of the U.S.-led coalition struck the Nusra Front position.

Davutoglu said Turkish planes did not violate Syrian airspace Friday, but he did not rule out incursions in the future. He denied news reports claiming that Turkey had told the Syrian regime about the airstrikes, but said it had contacted NATO allies before the operation.

## Defense Secretary Carter meets with Kurds in Iraq

**ROBERT BURNS**  
**Associated Press**

**IRBIL, Iraq (AP)** — U.S. Defense Secretary Ash Carter held talks Friday with Iraqi Kurdish leaders in their regional capital of Irbil, seeking insights to their military successes against the Islamic State. Afterward he told U.S. and coalition troops that the Kurdish armed forces, known as the peshmerga, are "the model of what we are trying to achieve" with a strategy of enabling capable and motivated local forces in northern and western Iraq to take the

ground combat lead. He said U.S. ground and air forces could defeat IS on their own, but the success would not last. "We're trying to get a defeat that sticks," he told a group of several dozen troops. "And that can be delivered only by the people that live here," adding, "that's the secret sauce." Carter arrived on a military flight from Amman, Jordan, where he spent the night after holding meetings and giving a pep talk to U.S. troops in Baghdad on Thursday. In Irbil, Carter is meet-

ing with Masoud Barzani, president of the Kurdish regional government, and other Kurdish government and military officials. The U.S. is helping train and equip Kurdish armed forces in battles against Islamic State fighters. The Kurdish forces, generally more experienced and more effective on the battlefield than their counterparts in the Iraqi army, have played a vital role in containing the Islamic State in northeastern Iraq. They hold mostly defensive positions across large parts of northern Iraq and would

be expected to play a key role in an eventual Iraq campaign to retake Mosul, which fell to IS in June 2014. The U.S. military works closely with the Kurds, providing arms, training and advice. The Obama administration has resisted calls by some in Congress to bypass the Iraqi government in Baghdad and provide weapons directly to the Kurds. The administration instead has sent arms through the central government, reasoning that this preserves the hope of avoiding a final division of the country into sectarian and ethnic enclaves. □



## Greek invites IMF to join bailout talks, should begin Monday



Greek leaders including President Prokopis Pavlopoulos, center, and Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras, right, meet ahead of a meal to mark the 41st anniversary of the country's return to democracy after the 1974 fall of the junta then ruling Greece, at the presidential palace in Athens, Friday, July 24, 2015. High-level talks between Greece and its European creditors on a third bailout for the cash-strapped country have been delayed until logistical matters are sorted out.

(AP Photo/Thanassis Stavrakis)

### MENELAOS HADJICOSTIS

### NICHOLAS PAPHITIS

### Associated Press

### ATHENS, Greece (AP) —

Greece on Friday invited the International Monetary Fund to participate in its negotiations with European creditors over a vital third bailout — talks that are expected to start next week after a few days' delay and must conclude before Greece faces another

big repayment Aug. 20.

Negotiators are now expected to arrive in Athens over the weekend with talks probably starting Monday, Greek officials said.

In a statement Friday evening, the IMF confirmed it had received Greece's request for a new IMF loan and said it would work to arrange talks with Greece and its European creditors. Athens is looking to secure

yet another bailout — the third since its finances imploded in 2009 — worth 85 billion euros (\$93 billion) over three years. Without the money, the country faces imminent bankruptcy and a probable exit from the shared euro currency.

The letter to the IMF, signed by Finance Minister Euclid Tsakalotos, formally requests a new bailout from

the fund. That is in accordance with the preliminary third bailout agreement Greece struck with its European partners on July 12, which called for IMF financing and monitoring for Greece from March 2016 — when current IMF financing ends.

The letter said Athens believes it will take "several quarters" before the Greek economy faces up to its challenges "and returns to a vigorous and sustainable path to growth with fairness and social inclusion."

"We look forward to continued cooperation with the Fund," it added.

Greek government spokeswoman Olga Gerovasili said the final third bailout agreement will be brought to Greece's parliament for approval on Aug. 18.

"Clearly, the negotiations will be constant until then," she said Friday.

Greece has a debt repayment of around 3.2 billion euros (\$3.5 billion) to the European Central Bank on Aug. 20.

Greece's five-year financial crisis took a dramatic turn for the worse this sum-

mer, after talks between its radical left-led government elected in January and the country's creditors nearly collapsed amid sharp disagreements over the reforms required in return for the rescue loans. The new bailout was only possible after Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras made a sharp U-turn from years of vehemently opposing further cutbacks. Since its first bailout in 2010, Greece's economy has shrunk by a quarter, while unemployment has rocketed to record peacetime highs and incomes have shrunk an average of 40 percent.

Much of the pain has been attributed to the income cuts and tax hikes demanded by creditors.

It's unclear to what extent IMF participation complicates the latest bailout talks. The fund has been critical of many of the demands insisted upon by Greece's European creditors but it also says Greece needs deep, meaningful debt relief — something that Germany and other European nations are dead set against. □

## Germanwings tragedy:

## Families of victims honor unidentified remains

### LE VERNET, France (AP) —

The families of those killed in the Germanwings plane crash released white balloons into the air Friday, holding a ceremony in the French Alpine village exactly four months after the plane's co-pilot crashed the Airbus 320 into a nearby mountain.

The inter-religious service under a tent honored those whose bodies went unidentified. Those remains were buried on Thursday night at the nearby Le Vernet cemetery, but families visited the grave at the close of the service as the balloons floated skyward.

French prosecutors say co-pilot Andreas Lubitz locked the pilot out of the cockpit

on the March 24 flight from Barcelona to Duesseldorf, then set the aircraft on its doomed course. All 150 people aboard the plane died, mostly German and Spanish.

Robert Tansill Oliver and Merivel Calvo, parents of 36-year old victim Robert Oliver Calvo, thanked the gendarmes who scoured the mountain for what they said ended up being 30,000 pieces of remains.

"It's a very difficult situation for the families to realize that all the remains could not be handed over but just some parts, that there is a grave here as well," said Christof Wellens, a lawyer for families of 34 Germanwings' victims.

The town sub-prefect, Patricia Willaert, estimated that 300 family members attended the service at the memorial stone laid near the mountain where their loved ones died.

Among those absent was Carsten Spohr, the CEO of Lufthansa, Germanwings' parent company, who decided not to attend "because of the tense atmosphere that has arisen in recent days" as a result of an open letter from some victims' relatives, company spokesman Helmut Tolkendorf said.

"He does not want to burden a dignified ceremony with this discussion," Tolkendorf added. □



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Shiite rebels known as Houthis hold up their weapons as they chant slogans during a rally against Saudi-led airstrikes in Sanaa, Yemen, Friday, July 24, 2015. (AP Photo/Hani Mohammed)

## Yemen:

# Saudi-led airstrikes kill more than 120

**AHMED AL-HAJ**  
**Associated Press**

**SANAA, Yemen (AP)** — Saudi-led coalition airstrikes killed more than 120 civilians and wounded more than 150 after shelling a residential area in the Yemeni province of Taiz on Friday evening, security officials, medical officials and witnesses said. The officials, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to reporters, said that most of the houses in the area were leveled and a fire broke out in the port city of Mokha. Most of the corpses, including children, women and elderly people, were charred by the flames, they said. Ahmed Mohammed al-Mouzay, a resident of the area who participated in rescue operations, said most of his neighbors had passed away. Many of the dead and wounded were transported in private cars or in animal-drawn carts drawn to hospitals, he

added. A security official said it was not possible to move the injured into the provincial capital because of road closures due to ongoing fighting. Security officials said this comes after Saudi-led coalition planes launched dozens of airstrikes on positions of Shiite Houthi rebels and their allies in Mokha. The closest Houthi outpost to Friday evening's deadly strike is at least 5km away, officials and area residents said. Saudi officials could not immediately be reached for comment. The fighting in Yemen pits the Houthis and troops loyal to former President Ali Abdullah Saleh against southern separatists, local and tribal militias, Sunni Islamic militants and loyalists of exiled President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi, who is now in Saudi Arabia. Fierce battles between Shiite Houthi rebels and pro-government forces in Ye-

men's Marib province and in Taiz Friday killed 20 people, according to officials. Nine rebels and seven anti-Houthi tribesmen were killed in clashes in Marib, medical officials said. Houthi shelling killed four civilians in the city of Taiz, according to medical and security officials. All officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to reporters. The Saudi-led coalition backed pro-government fighters in Friday's clashes, bombing rebel positions. Clashes also raged north of the strategic southern port city of Aden, according to a security official. Anti-Houthi fighters in Aden said Thursday they seized full control of the city, after they pushed the rebels from their last holdout. This current push north of Aden is the start of a wide-scale campaign to clear the city's surrounding area of rebels, a security official said. □

## Chile soldiers charged in 1986 burning death of US resident

**LUIS ANDRES HENAO**  
**Associated Press**

**SANTIAGO, Chile (AP)** — A Chilean judge charged seven former members of the military on Friday in the burning death of a 19-year-old U.S. resident who was killed in a 1986 protest against the military dictatorship then in power.

Judge Mario Carroza charged six former officers with premeditated killing in the burning death of Rodrigo Rojas. They were also charged with the attempted homicide of 18-year-old Carmen Quintana. Another former soldier was charged with being an accomplice to the crime.

Soldiers doused Rojas and Quintana with gasoline and set them ablaze during a street demonstration on July 2, 1986. Rojas died four days later. He was a Chilean-born photographer visiting from Washington D.C., where he lived with his mother in exile.

Quintana, who was a university student at the time, survived and underwent lengthy treatment for severe burns at a Canadian hospital. Her scarred face later became a symbol of the atrocities committed by Gen. Augusto Pinochet's 1973-1990 dictatorship.

The latest development comes after another soldier testified last year, breaking a nearly three-decade pact of silence in one of the most prominent cases of human rights abuses during the dictatorship that saw 40,018 people killed, tortured or imprisoned for political reasons.

"The wounds have not been kept in the past. While there's no justice, there's no way to move forward," Rojas' mother, Veronica De Negri, said after the charges were announced. "Everyone here is responsible because when silence has been kept for 29 years, everyone shares the responsibility."

President Michelle Bachelet, who was held and tortured during the dictatorship, said it's important for the truth to finally come out so that these crimes are never again repeated and go unpunished in Chile.

"The latest developments encourage us by making us feel that it's always good for the truth to arrive and justice to be served, even if it takes 29 years," Bachelet said during a public event this week.

A judge in 1999 ordered the Chilean government to pay Quintana \$470,000. This week, she thanked the former soldier identified as Fernando Guzman for testifying. Speaking from Canada, where she now lives, she told a local radio station that the soldiers involved in the attack were teenagers like her at the time and were also victims of the dictatorship because they received death threats to keep silent.

The burning attack drew condemnation worldwide from governments and rights groups. It also strained relations with President Ronald Reagan's government, which demanded a full investigation and judicial action. □





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## Jamaica to retire \$3 billion in oil debt to Venezuela

**KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP)** — Jamaica has forged a deal to retire \$3 billion in oil debts to Venezuela thanks to bond sales.

In a Friday statement, Jamaica said it has issued roughly \$2 billion in bonds on the international capital market that will pay down the debt it accumulated

through Petrocaribe, a Venezuelan program that provides fuel to countries at market prices but under generous credit terms.

Officials say a negotiated settlement with Caracas will dismiss about \$3 billion in long-term debt in exchange for \$1.5 billion. It was not immediately clear

Friday if Jamaica's deal will retire all of its Petrocaribe debt. The finance ministry said this week's bond issue transaction was "the largest capital markets fund-raising ever undertaken by the government of Jamaica." Jamaica's Petrocaribe settlement is similar to one the Dominican Republic

negotiated with Venezuela earlier this year. That Caribbean country dismissed \$4 billion in Petrocaribe debt in exchange for \$2 billion.

On Thursday, IMF Communications Director Gerry Rice said the organization supports Jamaica's debt buyback. "It's an important step in reducing the value

of the country's public debt and will help to put debt firmly on a downward trajectory," Rice told reporters. Jamaica is in the third year of a four-year \$930 million loan package with the International Monetary Fund and it has passed consecutive tests without shortfalls. □

## Puerto Rico general fund revenue is \$600M below estimates

**DANICA COTO**  
Associated Press

**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)**

— Puerto Rico's government announced Friday that overall general fund revenue collected this past fiscal year was more than \$600 million below what was estimated amid a worsening economic crisis that has spooked U.S. investors. Treasury Secretary Juan Zaragoza said the government collected nearly \$9 billion for fiscal 2014-2015, a \$76 million drop compared with the previous year. "It's a reflection of the difficult fiscal and economic situation the island faces," he said in a statement, adding that it directly impacts the government's liquidity. Zarago-



**A pedestrian crosses the street as protestors block traffic in the financial district to demand the banking industry take responsibility for the current economic crisis in San Juan, Puerto Rico. (AP Photo/Ricardo Arduengo)**

za blamed the drop on a variety of economic issues, including the elimination of a gross receipts tax in 2014. He said his department will take several measures to

boost revenue collection, including stepping up the fight against widespread tax evasion. The general fund now faces a more than \$700 million deficit as

Puerto Rico enters its ninth year in recession. The fund provides financial backing for general obligation bonds and supports agencies that don't generate their own revenue, including the departments of health and education.

The announcement comes as the U.S. territory struggles to generate revenue as it faces a \$72 billion public debt load that the governor has said is unpayable. Puerto Rico economist Gustavo Velez said it is worrisome that general fund revenues missed the estimated mark by more than \$600 million. "That's a dangerous number," he said in a phone interview. "It shows the economic crisis has accelerated." Velez

criticized the government for consistently using what he said were too-optimistic estimates that have contributed to the debt load. He also said the government can no longer tap into Puerto Rico's financially struggling Government Development Bank to help offset the more than \$700 million general fund deficit. "The bank cannot loan any money," he said.

"It has no access to the markets." The administration of Gov. Alejandro Garcia Padilla recently increased the island's sales tax to 11.5 percent and created a 4 percent tax on professional services that will go into effect Oct. 1 to help generate more revenue. □

## 1 policeman, 1 inmate dead in prison breakout in Trinidad

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Associated Press

**PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad**

**(AP)** — A police officer and an inmate were killed Friday following a violent prison breakout in the eastern Caribbean island of Trinidad.

Authorities said three inmates brandishing guns escaped from a prison in the capital of Port-of-Spain, prompting a shoot-out with police that resulted in the death of 27-year-old Constable Sherman Maynard

and caused hundreds of people to panic.

Police Commissioner Stephen Williams said Maynard was on special duty at the prison because of reports of potential trouble by inmates.

The two other inmates who broke free remain at large, said Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar, who warned that they are armed and dangerous. Police identified them as Hassan Atwell and Christopher Selby.

"All forces are on alert," she said during a televised address.

The search for the two fugitive inmates snarled traffic in Trinidad's capital and caused delays at the airport as a result of increased security checks.

Stores and offices closed as people tried to get out of the city shortly after the breakout, with many fearing another coup attempt like the one that occurred almost exactly 25 years ago. Dozens of heavily

armed police officers were on patrol as a government helicopter hovered above. The third inmate who was killed was identified as Allan Martin.

Police said they shot him near the Port-of-Spain hospital. Selby and Martin had been charged in the killing of a local businesswoman. Atwell is facing charges of kidnapping, sexual assault and robbery in an unrelated case.

The breakout occurred 25 years after armed Islamic

militants stormed Parliament on July 27, 1990 and took the prime minister and his Cabinet hostage.

The coup attempt by the Jamaat al Muslimeen group resulted in 24 deaths, most of them during looting.

Leader Yasin Abu Bakr said Friday that no one should fear the group.

"We have some legal issues to address with the government, and we will do so through the legal process." □



**India:**

# 'Medicine Baba' gets drugs from rich, gives to poor



Omkarnath, center, who goes by the name "Medicine Baba," receives unused medicine from a woman in New Delhi, India.

**RISHABH R. JAIN**  
**Associated Press**

**NEW DELHI (AP)** — Omkarnath spends his days searching New Delhi for drugs. A call to the phone number printed boldly on his saffron-colored tunic reveals his alternate identity: "Hello, I am Medicine Baba." The chatty, 79-year-old retired blood-bank technician has been collecting unused prescription drugs from the affluent for the past eight years, and distributing whatever hasn't expired to patients who need medicines they cannot afford. Omkarnath, who like many Indians uses only one name, is not a trained pharmacist,

and must see a doctor's prescription before he'll help supply any drug. He doesn't charge, though he says the value of what he gives away each month is more than \$9,000. "Every bungalow in Delhi has extra medicines, but they are throwing them in their dustbins," says Omkarnath, who walks with a limp after an accident that left him with dislocated bones in both legs. "Medicine Baba" — baba is an honorific term meaning wise man — walks more than 7 kilometers (4 miles), stopping door-to-door to ask for unused medicines. On one such trip Sunday, he had collected a huge bagful of donated pre-

(AP Photo/Saurabh Das)

scriptions in just an hour and a half. Some 40 percent of India's 1.2 billion people have no access to modern medicines because they are too expensive or simply unavailable in government hospitals where supplies are often scarce. Meanwhile, India is exporting 45 percent of the \$25 billion in pharmaceuticals it produces each year. Omkarnath began his mission after seeing some construction workers get badly injured in New Delhi. He says he followed the men to government hospitals where they were not given treatment and told to find the drugs they needed elsewhere.

He says he has built up a stock of drugs and medical equipment worth tens of thousands of dollars from weekend trips to wealthy neighborhoods and more than a dozen collection boxes set up in private clinics around the city. He stores his cache in a small rented room next to his home in the fetid slums of Manglupuri in southwest New Delhi. The room is filled with boxes of common flu tablets, insulin injections and cancer medications. Omkarnath also arranges donations of equipment including hospital beds, oxygen cylinders, nebulizers, wheelchairs, walkers and oxygen machines. Many nongovernmental organizations work to give medical care to India's needy, and Omkarnath works with some of them to deliver medicines. But Omkarnath's one-man recycling effort is rare if not unique. There are medicine recycling efforts elsewhere, including the United States, but drugs in those cases are generally donated by medical institutions rather than individuals. Dr. Lalima Rangwani distributes medicine Omkarnath collects. She said at first she wasn't sure she could trust the drugs he collected. "But when he brought the medicines, I checked it out, the batch number, all he has written on the list. So only then I got convinced that these are genuine medicines," she said. □

## South Korean man arrested over death threat on US envoy

**SEOUL, South Korea (AP)** — South Korean police said Friday that they had arrested a 33-year-old jobless man for allegedly making an online threat to kill the U.S. ambassador in Seoul. The man allegedly left an English-language message vowing to kill Mark Lippert with "nuclear poisoning" on the White House website on July 8, police said in a statement. The man, surnamed Lee, has denied the allegation. But police say they've found a draft of the online threat and records of access to the White House homepage on his laptop computer, according to the statement. The allegations come just months after Lippert was attacked by another man who slashed him with a knife during a breakfast forum. Lippert suffered deep gashes on his face and arm in that attack in March and was treated at a Seoul hospital for five days. Police said the message, which contained many grammar errors, didn't clearly explain why he wanted to kill Lippert. They refused to disclose the full message. Police said the man has lived in seclusion at his home but there is no record of any psychiatric hospital treatment. The investigation began at the request of the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, according to the police statement. If convicted, the man could face up to five years in prison. The man who attacked Lippert in March was later charged with attempted murder. Police said he chose Lippert as a target to highlight his opposition to U.S.-South Korean military drills, which North Korea calls an invasion rehearsal. Seoul and Washington have said their drills are purely defensive. Anti-U.S. activists have long blamed the presence of 28,500 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea for the continuing split of the Korean Peninsula. □

# Over 100 face Thai human trafficking charges

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**Associated Press**

**BANGKOK (AP)** — Thailand's state prosecutors recommended charges against more than 100 people, including a Thai army general, in a multinational human trafficking scandal that came to light after dozens of bodies were discovered in the country's south earlier this year, a spokesman said Friday. Ninety-one Thais, nine Myanmar nationals and four Bangladeshis face 16 charges, including hu-

man trafficking, partaking in a transnational crime network, and assisting or bringing in aliens into the kingdom illegally, Office of the Attorney General spokesman Wanchai Roujanavong told reporters. "The investigation showed it is a big syndicate. There were networks that brought them (the migrants) from overseas into the country systematically," he said. "There were a lot of damages. Bodies were found. Senior officials were accused, as well as influential

figures. The Office of the Attorney General, therefore, treats it as a very important case." He said provincial prosecutors have pressed charges against 72 arrested suspects and were waiting to proceed with 32 others who remained at large. The sweeping investigation, in which 15 Thai state officials were implicated, came after 36 bodies, believed to be migrants from Myanmar and Bangladesh, were exhumed from various abandoned jungle camps near the Thai-Ma-

laysian border in May. The discovery has intensified international pressure on Thailand to crack down on smugglers. More than 50 people were arrested in a month, including local politicians, government officials, police, and a senior-ranking army officer who once oversaw human trafficking issues in the country's south. About 50 police officers in the southern provinces were removed from their posts and investigated for possible involvement in trafficking syndicates. □





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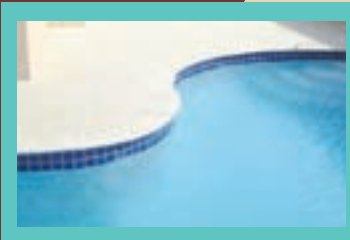
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Sprint Cup Series driver Jeff Gordon (24) waits to drive during practice for the NASCAR Brickyard 400 auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, Friday, July 24, 2015.

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## NASCAR drivers adjusting to new rules package at Brickyard

JENNA FRYER

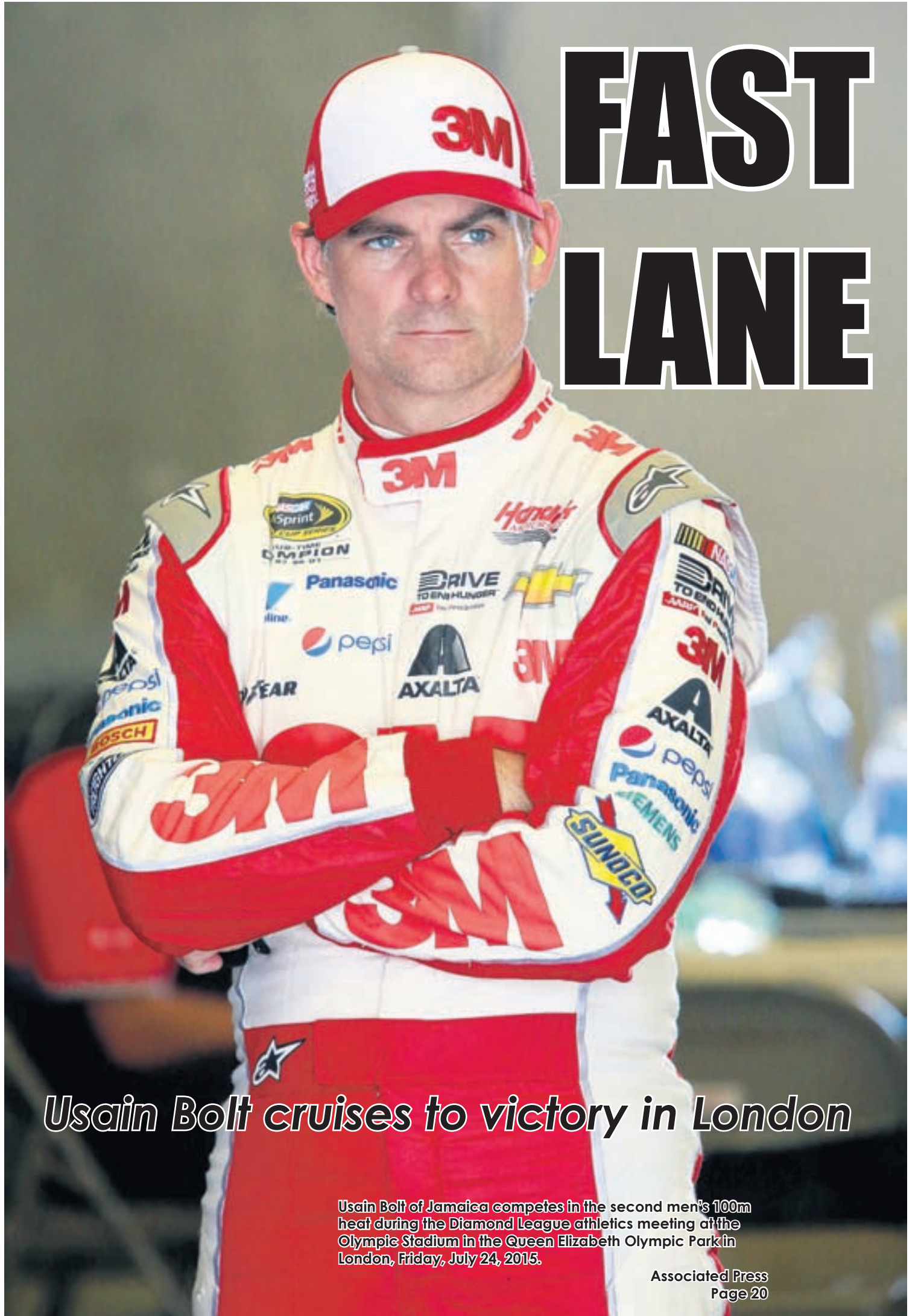
AP Auto Racing Writer

**INDIANAPOLIS (AP)** — A new rules package for Indianapolis Motor Speedway provided visibility issues for drivers. More troubling for NASCAR, though, is that after nearly five hours of practice Friday, there was little indication the changes will produce better racing.

NASCAR, in its effort to improve the on-track product, is using four track-specific aerodynamic packages to see what could be a better fit for the heavy stock cars. The package used two weeks ago at Kentucky was well-received by the drivers, but NASCAR switched to a high-drag setup for Indianapolis, where passing has always been difficult.

"Hey man, this is a big event for us, it's crucial that this event goes down as a good race every time we are here," Clint Bowyer said.

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# FAST LANE

## Usain Bolt cruises to victory in London

Usain Bolt of Jamaica competes in the second men's 100m heat during the Diamond League athletics meeting at the Olympic Stadium in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in London, Friday, July 24, 2015.

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# Altuve's walkoff homer lifts Astros over Boston 5-4

**The Associated Press**

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Jose Altuve homered with one out in the bottom of the ninth, the last of his four hits, and Houston Astros beat Boston to extend the Red Sox's losing streak to a season-high eight games. The game was tied at 4-4 when Altuve connected off Craig Breslow (0-1) and homered into the seats in left-center. The play was reviewed and confirmed. Marwin Gonzalez and Colby Rasmus both went deep for the Astros, who lead the majors with 135 home runs.

Josh Fields pitched a scoreless ninth for the win (3-1).

Boston's David Ortiz cut the lead to 4-3 with a solo homer off Will Harris with no outs in the eighth. Mike Napoli's RBI double off closer Luke Gregerson later in the inning tied it.

**TWINS 3, ANGELS 0**

**ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP)** — Ervin Santana pitched eight innings of four-hit ball

against his former team, and Minnesota snapped both its four-game skid and Los Angeles' seven-game winning streak.

Trevor Plouffe hit a three-run homer in the fourth inning for the Twins, who wrapped their six-game California road trip with bookend wins.

Santana (2-0) was outstanding in his fourth start for Minnesota after throwing 7 2-3 scoreless innings in Oakland last week. He spent his first eight major league seasons with the Angels, winning 96 games from 2005-12.

Garrett Richards (10-7) yielded four hits over eight innings in his second loss in three starts. The Angels had won 13 of 15 and 17 of 20 while climbing atop the AL West.

**YANKEES 9, ORIOLES 3**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Jacoby Ellsbury finished a triple shy of the cycle and drove in four runs and Chase Headley hit a three-run double in the first inning



**Houston Astros' Jose Altuve connects for a double against the Boston Red Sox in the fifth inning of a baseball game Thursday, July 23, 2015, in Houston.**

as New York completed a three-game sweep of Baltimore to bolster its spot atop the AL East.

Masahiro Tanaka (7-3) won his third straight start, allowing three solo homers and a double in 7 2-3 innings to help New York to its ninth win in 11 games.

The Yankees are 12 over .500 at 53-41 for the first time since May 25, 2013,

their high point that season. Ellsbury homered, had a sacrifice fly and a two-run double among three hits. With a chance at the cycle, he grounded back to the pitcher in the eighth. Didi Gregorius followed Headley's bases-clearing hit with an RBI single off Ubaldo Jimenez as New York increased their major league-leading total of

**Associated Press**

first-inning runs to 86.

**MARINERS 3, TIGERS 2, 12 INNINGS**

**DETROIT (AP)** — Mike Zunino's RBI double in the top of the 12th inning gave Seattle a win over Detroit. Chris Taylor started the 12th with a single off Ian Krol (1-3), and Zunino tried to bunt him to second. After two failed attempts, Zunino doubled down the left-field line. Yoenis Cespedes misread the bounce off the fence, allowing Taylor to score the go-ahead run. Tom Wilhelmsen pitched the bottom of the 12th for his first save of the season after Fernando Rodney (3-4) threw a scoreless 11th. Neither starter was involved in the decision.

David Price, the subject of trade rumors with Detroit (47-48) struggling to get above .500, allowed two runs in eight-plus innings. Seattle's Hisashi Iwakuma allowed two runs in seven innings.

**BLUE JAYS 5, ATHLETICS 2** □

## NASCAR

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"Settling for second-best is not an option. I'm proud that NASCAR realizes that and pushes hard to try to figure out something that is better than what we've had in the past when we come to such an important venue."

There were mixed opinions after three long practice sessions Friday, and many drivers said anytime they got too close to another car, the turbulence was so rough, they had to back off to avoid crashing.

"Passing will be tough to say the least, but we're trying something new," Denny Hamlin said. "I can't fault (NASCAR) for trying — they tried what we wanted to try (at Kentucky) and I thought we had a pretty successful race. Now we're trying something different. We'll see if it's better or not."

Last year's Brickyard 400, won for a record fifth time by Jeff Gordon, featured just 15 lead changes at the



**Sprint Cup Series driver Danica Patrick (10) prepares to practice for the NASCAR Brickyard 400 auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, Friday, July 24, 2015.**

**Associated Press**

start/finish line — a number that NASCAR would like to see go up. The five-year average for green-flag passes for the lead is 16, and the margin of victory is a whopping 2.371 seconds.

With drivers feeling as if they had to back off whenever they closed in on another car, it's not clear if those

statistics will be improved Sunday. Carl Edwards said "I couldn't get closer than 15 car lengths," to another car before he had to back off.

But Jamie McMurray, winner of the 2010 Brickyard, said it's too early to judge the package.

"We haven't had a restart,

and to me, the restart is where this package is going to play a bigger role than in practice," McMurray said. "The thing with practice is that as you start to catch the car in front of you, typically their car is not very good. So, when you see somebody catching you fairly quick, you pull in so you can work on it and get your car better." Part of the high-drag aero package includes a 9-inch spoiler with a 1-inch wicker bill. Although part of the spoiler is clear and gives drivers a gap, most seemed to think it wasn't big enough to see through from the rearview mirror.

"It's challenging to see," Joey Logano said. "I think I can see about five car lengths behind me, and any cars that are further back than that I can't see. "That isn't the end of the world. If they're five car lengths back, you're probably not too worried about it anyway. When they get close is when you want to see it, but it is nice sometimes because we don't know. We'll see with this

whole drafting package down the straightaway when that run is going to start."

Hamlin said he'd have preferred a clear wicker, but was surprised at how much he was able to see.

But that wasn't even Hamlin's biggest issue Friday.

His vision out the front windshield was severely hampered during practice when his hood flew open. The mishap apparently occurred because his team failed to tighten the hood pins before the second practice. When the hood flew up, it smashed his windshield and he had to return to the garage for repairs.

"The speeds that we're going, when that hood comes up, it just disintegrates and blows," Hamlin said. "The good thing is (it) didn't all stay together. The hood blew apart so much I had a gap there I could see."

"It blew the roof apart a lot. There is a lot of force there that tears up a lot of stuff anytime the hood comes up." □



## NL Capsules

# Cardinals edge Royals in clash of top teams

The Associated Press

**ST. LOUIS (AP)** — John Lackey threw seven strong innings after a shaky beginning, Trevor Rosenthal escaped his own jam in the ninth and St. Louis beat Kansas City.

Randal Grichuk and Matt Carpenter hit two-run homers as the Cardinals won in the makeup of a rainout last month.

As in the originally scheduled game, St. Louis and Kansas City led their league in wins and Lackey (9-5) and Chris Young (8-6) were the scheduled starters.

Rosenthal, pitching for the third straight day, took over to begin the ninth with a 4-2 lead. Alex Rios led off with a single and Omar Infante followed with a triple. The Royals went on to put runners on second and third with no outs, but Rosenthal held on for his 30th save in 32 chances. Mike Moustakas grounded out to end it. **DODGERS 3, NY METS 0**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Clayton Kershaw pitched a three-hitter, retiring the first 18 batters in his second shutout of the season, as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the New York Mets 3-0 on Thursday night.

Kershaw (8-6) now has thrown 29 consecutive scoreless innings — 14 2/3 less than teammate Zack Greinke — and 11 career shutouts. He was perfect until Curtis Granderson lined a leadoff single in the seventh inning.

The worst-hitting team in the majors was all but helpless against the three-time Cy Young Award winner. Kershaw struck out 11 and did not walk a batter. He has fanned 38 without a walk in his last three outings.

Jimmy Rollins hits his ninth home run in the third inning for first-place Los Angeles and that was enough for Kershaw (8-6). He improved

to 6-0 with 1.34 ERA in his career against the Mets. Bartolo Colon (9-9) did his best to keep the Mets in it, tossing eight innings and allowing five hits and one run.

**PIRATES 7, NATIONALS 3**

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — Francisco Liriano allowed three hits over six-plus dominant innings and Pittsburgh raced by Washington.

Liriano (6-6) struck out 11 against three walks as the Pirates returned from a miserable post All-Star break road trip to drop the NL East-leading Nationals. Andrew McCutchen, Pedro Alvarez and Francisco Cervelli homered for Pittsburgh, which ended a seven-game losing streak to Washington.

Starling Marte and Jung Ho Kang added two hits apiece for the Pirates, who acquired third baseman Aramis Ramirez from Milwaukee before the game to bolster an infield dealing with injuries to Josh Harrison and Jordy Mercer.

Doug Fister (3-6) labored through five innings, giving up four runs and nine hits to drop his third straight decision. Ian Desmond had two of Washington's six hits, including a two-run homer in the ninth.

**DIAMONDBACKS 8, BREWERS 3**

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Zack Godley struck out seven in six shutout innings in his major league debut, leading Arizona to a victory over Milwaukee.

Godley, a 25-year-old right-hander called up from Double-A before Thursday's game, held the Brewers to four hits, sprinting off the mound to the dugout after each inning. He got run support from 13 Diamondbacks hits, including three with two RBIs for A.J. Pollock.

Yasmany Tomas gave the Diamondbacks an early lead with a solo home run

in the second inning. The Brewers failed to score in the third after putting runners on first and third with no outs.

Gerardo Parra grounded back to Godley, who threw to second base for a force out. Diamondbacks shortstop Nick Ahmed then threw home, and Arizona got a double play when Oscar Hernandez tagged the Brewers' Hernan Perez at the plate.

**MARLINS 4, PADRES 0**

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — Tom Koehler threw seven strong innings, combining with two relievers on a three-hitter that lifted Miami to a win over San Diego.

Koehler (8-6) walked four and hit a batter, but the right-hander limited the Padres to three singles and successfully worked out of the only jam he faced. Koehler, Steve Cishek and Mike Dunn handed San Diego its major league-high 14th shutout.

Miami won its third straight on the road for the first time this season. The Marlins used five consecutive singles with two outs, along with a wild pitch and two errors on the same play, to score four runs in the sixth inning to break a scoreless tie.

Tyson Ross (6-8) was dominant early before he faltered in the sixth. Ross allowed four runs — three earned — and eight hits over 5 2/3 innings with eight strikeouts. □



Los Angeles Dodgers' Clayton Kershaw delivers a pitch during the first inning of a baseball game against the New York Mets Thursday, July 23, 2015, in New York.

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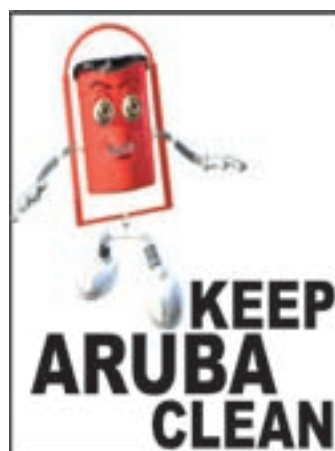


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## Usain Bolt wins 100 meters in Diamond League

**JACK BEZANTS**  
**Associated Press**

**LONDON (AP)** — Usain Bolt returned to form by winning the 100 meters in 9.87 seconds at the Diamond League meet in London's Olympic Stadium on Friday. After a poor start, the Jamaican struggled to break away from the pack but eventually edged Michael Rodgers of the United States by three hundredths of a second. Kemar Bailey-Cole of Jamaica was third in 9.92.

Bolt equaled his season's best of 9.87, which he recorded earlier Friday in qualifying. After struggling this season with a left leg injury, his fastest 100 time of the season before arriving in London was 10.12.

With the World Championships in Beijing a month away, Bolt was pleased with his performance in cloudy conditions following heavy rainfall.

"It was good for me, my last 50 was good," Bolt said. "When I got a really bad start, I kind of lost focus and I lost my form but at the last I got it back."

"It taught me a lot. I just need to remember that



**Usain Bolt of Jamaica, centre, wins the second men's 100m heat with Michael Rodgers of USA, left, and Chijindu Ujah of Britain, right, during the Diamond League athletics meeting at the Olympic Stadium in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in London, Friday, July 24, 2015.**

even if I get a bad start, I have to focus on the work at hand and just get it done. I know I could have gone faster if I just got my start in. I've been running fast in training but it is easy, you are under no pressure. It is all about getting race ready."

Despite the win, Bolt was still being cautious.

"I think I may go to see the

doctor just to make sure things are fine but I'm feeling much better," Bolt said. "Today has helped because I can see my plans coming together."

Britain's Mo Farah had an emphatic victory in the 3,000 meters, finishing in 7:34.66 and beating Othmane El Goumri of Morocco by over two seconds.

"Towards the end I could

use my speed and there was confidence," Farah said. "I'm in a good place (ahead of Beijing). Training is going well and I am winning races, that's important. You can always work on something but I think I am in good shape right now, so it is a case of holding up."

Farah, the Olympic 5,000 and 10,000 gold medalist,

had not competed since the BBC aired allegations that his United States-based coach Alberto Salazar encouraged athletes to break anti-doping rules. Farah, who received a warm welcome from the crowd, was not implicated and Salazar published a detailed denial.

Jessica Ennis-Hill came fifth in the 100 hurdles but the Briton recorded her season's best time of 12.79, in a race won by the United States' Jasmin Stowers in 12.47.

Ennis-Hill is still unsure whether she will be in Beijing next month and said she will decide after competing in the long jump on Saturday.

"I was looking for around 13, so to get sub 13 is very pleasing," Ennis-Hill said. "I shall need to rest up after today and prepare for tomorrow. Then I can assess where I am and if I am ready for Beijing."

American Jason Richardson won the 110 hurdles in 13.19.

Zuzana Hejnova of the Czech Republic was first in the women's 400 hurdles in 53.99, edging Georganne Moline of the U.S. in 54.24. □

## ESPN says Cowherd won't be on air after Dominican comments

**NEW YORK (AP)** — ESPN says radio host Colin Cowherd won't be on the air again before leaving the network in the wake of his remarks about major league baseball players from the Dominican Republic.

The network said Friday that "Colin will no longer appear on ESPN." The statement said Cowherd's comments "do not reflect the values of ESPN or our employees."

Cowherd said Thursday that he didn't believe

baseball was complex, saying a third of the sport was from the Dominican Republic, which had "not been known, in my lifetime, as having, you know, world-class academic abilities."

ESPN said earlier this month that Cowherd was leaving the network amid reports he's going to Fox Sports 1. Cowherd said Friday that he didn't intend to offend anyone with his remarks.

"I realize my choice of words was poor and not reflective of who I am. I am

sorry," he said.

Major League Baseball and its players' union issued statements Friday calling Cowherd's comments "offensive." □

**In this Aug. 13, 2013, file photo, wldESPN radio host Colin Cowherd tosses out a ceremonial pitch before a baseball game between the Cincinnati Reds and Chicago Cubs in Chicago.**

**Associated Press**





# Fireworks on Tour as Nibali and Froome fight

JOHN LEICESTER  
AP Sports Writer

LA TOUSSUIRE, France (AP)

— Chris Froome always expected his rivals to throw everything at him and his Tour de France race lead. He just didn't expect that would happen when he was stopped by the side of the road.

Showing bristle beneath his mild manners, the British rider angrily tore into Vincenzo Nibali, calling him "unsportsmanlike," after the defending champion accelerated away while Froome was fixing a stuck wheel on the toughest Alpine climb on Friday.

Nibali, who went on to win Stage 19, said: "He was very angry but that's his problem."

Froome said a stone or piece of asphalt jammed between his brake and rear wheel on the Col de la Croix de Fer climb, forcing him to pull up momentarily to unjam it.

While Froome stopped, Nibali rode away.

Those weren't the only fireworks on the exhausting Alpine stage that moved Froome one step closer to a second Tour victory.

On the stage's final climb to the La Toussuire ski station, Nairo Quintana launched his most sustained and telling attack against the 2013 champion, and this time got the better of him.

Showing for the first time at this Tour that he's not untouchable, Froome chose not to stay with the Colombian, his closest rival, as he rode away, eating into the Team Sky rider's overall race lead.

Froome said he preferred to save energy for Saturday's last Alpine stage, which features two very hard climbs. So rather than hunt down the Movistar rider, Froome rode steadily, telling himself: "I don't need to panic but I do need to keep something in reserve."

He didn't hold back on Nibali.

At the finish, "I told him exactly what I thought of him," Froome said.

There was other unpleasantness out on the road. TV images of the final climb appeared to show a spectator spitting toward the race leader as he sped past. Froome said he didn't see the man but called his behavior "appalling." Earlier in the Tour, Froome said another spectator threw a cup of urine at him and another punched his teammate Richie Porte.

"We are human beings," he said. "You can't come to a bike race to spit at people, or to punch them or to throw urine at them." Froome's reduced lead of 2 minutes, 38 seconds over Quintana, down from 3:10 at the start, should still be enough to get the British rider through the last competitive day in the Alps before the final stage to Paris on Sunday, which is largely ceremonial and won't change the overall podium standings.

Still, the smaller cushion will force Froome to watch Quintana very carefully and means he cannot afford a bad Saturday on the two "Hors Catégorie" climbs, meaning they're so tough they defy categorization.

The last of those, up 21 hairpin bends to the Alpe d'Huez ski station, is cycling's most iconic ascent and will be lined with screaming spectators. "It's the final test," said Froome.

"I'm in a great position," he added. "I can't wait to get up there."

Nibali's win rescued what has otherwise been a disappointing Tour for him.

The Italian said he didn't see that Froome had pulled up, even though television images appeared to show him looking back over his left shoulder at the Team Sky rider before accelerating away.

Nibali said he was speaking to a teammate, not

looking back at Froome, and that he always had planned to attack on that climb. The manager of his Astana team, Alexandre Vinokourov, defended him, saying: "Vincenzo doesn't have eyes in the back of his head."

Froome said: "It seemed to me that Nibali had the whole climb to attack but he chose the moment that I had a mechanical (problem) to make his move."

"That, in my opinion, is very unsportsmanlike," he added. "It's not in the spirit of the Tour de France."

Nibali said he was "very disappointed" at the way Froome spoke to him at the finish with language "too hard and too unjust to be repeated."

He added that as far as he is concerned, no rule says other riders must wait when a race leader has an accident.

After fixing his bike, Froome rode furiously to catch back up with other podium contenders. But Nibali was gone, chasing French rider Pierre Rolland, who summited the Croix de Fer pass first.

Riding with the No. 1 bib as defending champion, Nibali has been crushed by Froome at this Tour. He started the day in seventh place, 8:04 behind.

Hitting 70 kph (45 mph) on the Croix de Fer descent and shaving the edges of bends, Nibali caught Rolland and overtook him on the final climb to La Toussuire.

Sweat pouring off his legs, he rode solo to the finish, with the cross from the chain around his neck in his mouth.

With the time clawed back, Nibali jumped to fourth place, now 6:44 behind Froome. With third-placed Alejandro Valverde just 1:19 ahead of him, a podium spot may not be out of reach for the Italian. With so much still to ride for Saturday, a spectacular Tour is getting a thrilling finale. □



Italy's Vincenzo Nibali celebrates as he crosses the finish line to win of the nineteenth stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 138 kilometers (85.7 miles) with start in Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne and finish in La Toussuire, France, Friday, July 24, 2015. Associated Press

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# Gabby Douglas right on schedule for golden return

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AP Sports Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) —

Gabby Douglas is exasperated. Again and again and again the defending women's Olympic all-around champion emphatically slaps her right hand on one of the picnic tables that sit just past the front desk at Buckeye Gymnastics, the latest home in her nomadic career.

The 19-year-old isn't angry, exactly. She's just over the skepticism surrounding a "comeback" she insists isn't a comeback at all.

"I took a break," Douglas says between laughs, pounding on that poor table one more time. "It's not like I retired for 30 years. I mean, come on. I'm still young. I'm still fresh."

Competing in next year's Olympics in Rio de Janeiro was always part of her plan. The day after she made history in London as the first African-American



In this Friday, July 17, 2015, photo, Olympic gymnastics gold medalist Gabby Douglas smiles as she practices her floor routine at Buckeye Gymnastics in Westerville, Ohio. Associated Press

to reach the top of her sport with a showstopping performance at the 2012 Games, Douglas and then-coach Liang Chow talked about celebrating again four years later.

She just didn't imagine trying to become the first woman to repeat in nearly

50 years like this: in a new gym with a new coach, sky-high expectations and a reality film crew from the Oxygen Network on hand to capture it all.

With about a year to go until the flame is lit, Douglas will compete in the U.S. for the first time since the

2012 Olympic Trials on Saturday when she takes the floor for the Secret Classic in Chicago.

It will be an unveiling for Gabby Douglas 2.0: the older, wiser and decidedly more jacked version of the girl with the killer routines and the kilowatt smile who won over the world and an avalanche of sponsors on that brilliant August day three years ago.

On the surface, this weekend is a tuneup for the national championships next month. Beneath, however, is a quest to silence the doubt that surrounds Douglas' bid to become the first repeat Olympic all-around gold medalist since Vera Caslavskaja of Czechoslovakia in 1968.

"When people say I can't do something, I love it," Douglas said. "I just say, 'all right, let's go. Let's get it.' I'm more confident. More courageous. More warrior-minded."

Douglas will need to rely on that mentality heavily if she wants to soar to heights even the all-time greats — from Nadia Comaneci to Mary Lou Retton to Nastia Liukin — never reached.

All three Olympic champions tried to extend their careers following their golden moment. Comaneci came the closest to adding a second all-around gold, earning silver in Moscow in 1980. Retton retired barely a year after her triumph at Los Angeles in 1984. Liukin's late bid for a spot on the

2012 team ended when her throbbing shoulders finally said "enough" during Trials. For all its beauty and eye-popping athleticism, gymnastics is really about the grind. The supernova Douglas became in London was chiseled during nearly a decade of a relentless and sometimes mind-numbing routine, one she blissfully hit pause on after stepping off the podium with gold draped around her neck.

There was the post-Olympic tour. The book. The biography that turned into a made-for-TV movie. A steady stream of appearances and speaking engagements. The perks that come with glory are also among the biggest obstacles to recapturing it.

"You feel like you have to choose," Liukin said. "Are you going to take advantage of these opportunities or are you going to train?" Douglas has remained pragmatic even if the plan she mapped out after London took a few unexpected turns. She left Chow's gym in Iowa to reunite with her family in Los Angeles in 2013. Barely six months later Douglas was back with Chow to begin the process of prepping for Rio only to leave abruptly last summer in search of a fresh start.

One problem: she couldn't find a new coach. Her mother, Natalie Hawkins, stresses the issue wasn't personal but practical. For all of Douglas' talent, taking her in also comes with inherent risk. Everything she does going forward will be judged against what she accomplished during that giddy night on Aug. 2, 2012.

The bar is set ridiculously high. So is the pressure to clear it.

Her next chapter is beginning at a thriving if modest converted warehouse in a north Columbus suburb. Linked with longtime Buckeye Gymnastics coach Kittia Carpenter through a mutual acquaintance, Douglas arrived last summer for a two-week tryout that turned into something more permanent. □



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# Review: Google photo service is strong on search

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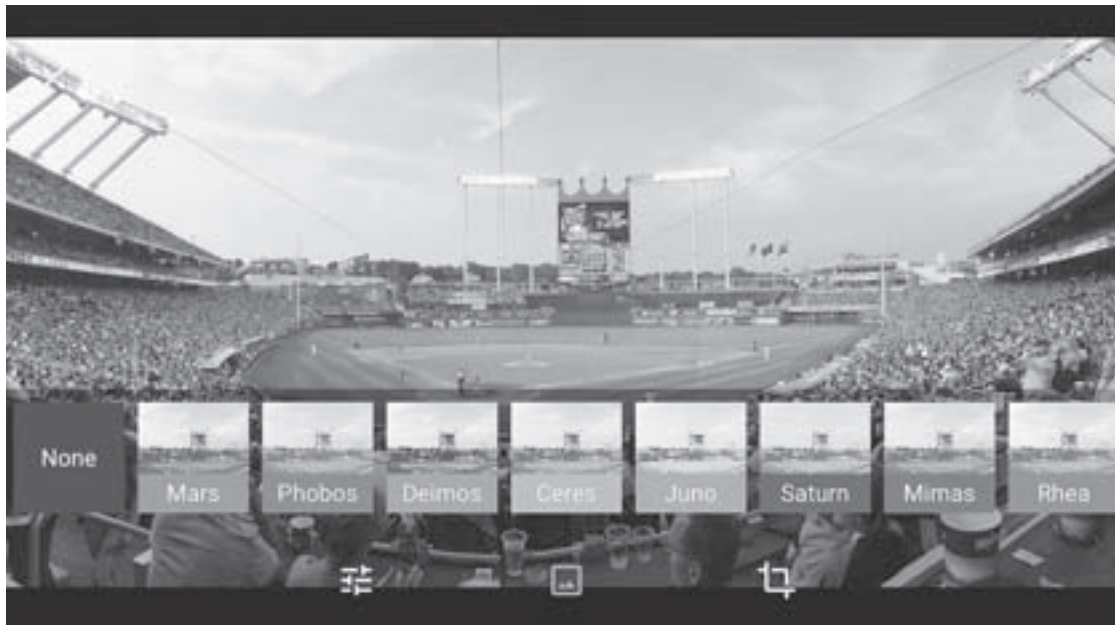
AP Technology Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)**—Google's new service for organizing and backing up images blends some of the best of what Apple and Yahoo have rolled out in recent months.

These services come as smartphone cameras get better, and people take more photos and video with them. The problem is many of the images simply sit on the phones, taking up valuable space. Worse, digital memories can disappear when phones are lost or stolen.

Photo services from Google, Yahoo and Apple all store copies of those photos and video online. Images taken with tablets and stand-alone cameras can be added, too, giving you one home for your entire image library. These services also offer editing tools and help organize your images. After all, why bother taking photos if you can't find them later?

The latest offering, Google Photos, isn't perfect. Recently, Google apologized when the service mistakenly labeled two black people as gorillas. And there's a catch with free storage of photos and video. On the other hand, Google has the best tools for searching photos. That's



In this screen shot made Wednesday, July 22, 2015, editing tools available within the Google Photos mobile app are demonstrated on a panoramic iPhone photo shot on July 4, 2015 at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. Associated Press

no surprise, coming from the world's most popular search engine.

Here's a look at Google Photos and how it compares with Apple's and Yahoo's offerings.

## STORAGE AND BACKUP

Just download the Google Photos app on your iPhone, iPad or Android device and connect over Wi-Fi. Photos and video on your device will automatically upload to Google's servers.

Google offers unlimited storage of photos of up to 16 megapixels. That covers iPhones and Samsung Galaxy phones. For the few phones that exceed that, Google will either re-

duce the file size or let you store the original as part of a free allotment shared with Gmail messages and other Google services. You get 15 gigabytes, enough for a few thousand photos at 16 megapixels, after which you pay \$2 or more a month. If you choose to store the originals, all photos will count toward the quota, including those under 16 megapixels. Unless you're looking for poster-size prints, 16 megapixels is fine for printing, but the extra pixels help when cropping.

Free video storage is limited to 1080p high-definition resolution. That's fine for iPhones, but many devices

including the Galaxy S6 phones can shoot better. Again, you can choose to reduce the size or pay for more storage.

Apps for Mac and Windows PCs will search your computer and camera memory cards for photos to upload. The same size limits apply.

Flickr, a similar service from Yahoo, has no size limit on individual files, but you get 1 terabyte for your entire collection. That's likely more than enough unless you're a professional or serious photographer, in which case Yahoo likely wouldn't be for you because it doesn't handle images in the higher-quality

RAW format.

Apple's Photos app syncs images from iPhones, iPads and Mac computers only, not Android or Windows devices. You have 5 gigabytes of free iCloud storage, shared with other Apple services, so you'll likely need to buy storage starting at \$1 a month.

With Google and Yahoo, you need to delete images from your phone to free up space once they transfer online. With Apple, the service automatically reduces the file size when space is low and grabs the originals online when needed. That makes it seamless for users, but Apple's storage quota isn't as generous.

## EDITING AND SHARING

All three services offer basic tools for touching up photos. Apple's Photos app on the Mac has the most advanced options. With all three services, changes you make on one device will sync with the others. Google also has tools to automatically create collages and animations out of batches of photos.

Once online, you can view images from any device, no matter which camera they came from. You can easily share those images, too, with just a tap or two. Don't worry. Unless you share an image or album, it's for your eyes only. □

# 'Landmark' trade deal could slash tariffs for tech products

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Associated Press

**BERLIN (AP)** — Prices for games consoles, home entertainment systems and GPS devices could soon fall after major trade powers agreed Friday to cut tariffs on some 200 technology products.

The Geneva-based World Trade Organization said 49 of its members — including the United States, China and the European Union — reached a tentative accord to expand the 1996 Information Technology Agreement following three years of talks.

"Today's agreement is a landmark," said WTO director-general Roberto Azevedo. "Annual trade in these 201 products is valued at over \$1.3 trillion per year, and accounts for approximately 7 percent of total global trade today. This is larger than global trade in automotive products — or trade in textiles, clothing, iron and steel combined." In order for the deal to take effect, however, countries signing the accord must account for 90 percent of the global trade in technology products. Taiwan, a big producer of electron-

ics, has faced considerable domestic pressure not to join. Along with four other countries — Thailand, Turkey, Columbia and Mauritius — Taiwan asked Friday for more time to consider the agreement.

Final details of the deal will be worked out by December, when trade ministers meet in Nairobi, Kenya.

Once implemented, the agreement will require countries to eliminate trade tariffs on most new-generation semi-conductors, satellite navigation systems, medical products that include magnetic



In this Sept. 9, 2013 file photo Director-General of the WTO Brazilian Roberto Azevedo smiles as he waits for the opening of the General Council at the World Trade Organization, WTO, headquarters, in Geneva, Switzerland. Associated Press

resonance imaging machines, machine tools for manufacturing printed circuits, telecommunications satellites and touch screens within three years starting in 2016, the WTO said.

"This deal will cut costs for consumers and business, in particular for smaller firms, which have been hit especially hard by excessive tariffs in the past," EU trade chief Cecilia Malmstrom said in a statement. □



# US stocks sink; S&P 500 index notches another losing week

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The U.S. stock market capped a four-day losing streak with its biggest drop of the week.

Disappointing quarterly results and outlooks from several companies pulled the major stock indexes sharply lower on Friday. New signs pointing to a slowing of China's economy also added to investor jitters, bringing down the price of oil and other commodities. While corporate profits have mostly exceeded Wall Street's expectations so far this earnings season, investors have grown uneasy as many companies provided cautious outlooks or weak sales.

"The revenue numbers have been very shaky," said JJ Kinahan, TD Ameritrade's chief strategist. "After next week, we'll have a much better picture overall how the earnings season was. But right now, that's the theme that I'm seeing, and it's not a healthy one."



**Trader Peter Tuchman, left, works the post that handles Time Warner Cable on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Disappointing quarterly results and outlooks from several companies pulled the major stock indexes sharply lower on Friday, July 24, 2015. (AP Photo/Richard Drew)**

The mixed company earnings increasingly weighed on stocks as the week wore on. The Standard & Poor's 500 index has now lost ground four out of the last five weeks.

The S&P 500 ended the day

down 22.50 points, or 1.1 percent, to 2,079.65, while the Dow Jones industrial average slid 163.39 points, or 0.9 percent, to 17,568.53. The Nasdaq composite lost 57.78 points, or 1.1 percent, to 5,088.63.

Stocks kicked off the week on a strong note, driving the Nasdaq to its latest record high and bringing the S&P 500 close to a milestone of its own. But it's been downhill since then. The Dow fell into negative

territory for the year on Thursday. As of Friday, it was down 1.4 percent for 2015.

The tech-focused Nasdaq remains the best-performing index for the year. It's up 7.4 percent, compared with 1 percent for the S&P 500.

Trading got off to an uneven start on Friday. The major indexes were all down by midmorning as traders sized up the latest corporate earnings.

Biotechnology company Biogen and pharmaceutical company AbbVie both reported a better-than-expected second-quarter profits, but their revenue fell short of Wall Street forecasts. Biogen plunged \$85.02, or 22.1 percent, to \$300.03. AbbVie declined \$2.44, or 3.5 percent, to \$68.08. Capital One Financial, which announced quarterly results a day earlier that failed to live up to financial analysts' expectations, sank 13.1 percent. The stock ended down \$11.91 at \$78.86.

Even a dash of merger news, which often puts investors in a buying mood, failed to impress.

Anthem agreed to buy rival Cigna for \$48 billion in a deal that would create the nation's largest health insurer by enrollment, covering about 53 million U.S. patients. Anthem fell \$4.35, or 2.8 percent, to \$150.86, while Cigna lost \$8.64, or 5.6 percent, to \$145.72.

Investors did welcome Amazon's latest quarterly report card. The e-commerce pioneer announced a surprise profit late Thursday. The stock vaulted \$47.24, or 9.8 percent, to \$529.42.

Nine of the 10 sectors in the S&P 500 ended lower. Health care stocks fell the most, 2.5 percent. Utilities edged higher.

Of the 187 companies in the S&P 500 that have reported earnings so far, about 72 percent of them have delivered results that beat Wall Street estimates, according to S&P Capital IQ. That's better than the historical average of 66 percent. □

## Amazon's value surpasses Wal-Mart after 2Q profit

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**Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — It's official: Amazon is bigger than Wal-Mart.

Amazon shares surged almost 10 percent on Friday after the e-commerce powerhouse reported a surprise second-quarter profit and a better-than-expected 20 percent jump in revenue.

The sharp increase in shares brought Amazon's market value to \$247.77 billion, more than its biggest rival, Wal-Mart Stores Inc., signaling a sea change in retailing. Amazon, which just turned 20, is now valued higher than the world's largest retailer.

Bentonville, Arkansas-based Wal-Mart Stores is valued at about \$230.53 billion. The company, with 11,767 stores worldwide, still has much higher sales, \$485.65 billion in the year ended Jan. 31, compared with Amazon's \$89 billion in annual revenue last year. But investors applauded

Amazon's ability to keep costs in check while growing its revenue. Amazon credited the profit to continued strength of its cloud-computing business and strong revenue growth both domestically and abroad. That came as it held costs for marketing and package delivery in check.

A company's market value is calculated by multiplying the number of shares of stock it has in circulation by the current price of one share.

It was the second usurper in two months to Wal-Mart's value. Last month Facebook became more highly valued than the world's largest retailer, knocking it out of the top 10 list of the highest-valued companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 index.

Amazon is firing on all cylinders, analysts said.

"When it is good, it is great: particularly as the business shifted to higher growth across a matrix of



**This photo shows Amazon boxes in Phoenix. Amazon shares surged almost 10 percent on Friday after the e-commerce powerhouse reported a surprise second-quarter profit.**

**(AP Photo/Ross D. Franklin)**

operating segments, product categories, and geographies in the second quarter," said William Blair analyst Mark Miller. He said a variety of Amazon's units boosted results: its \$99 annual Prime membership, third-party sellers, and its logistics and delivery capabilities.

"In view of the sharply higher preopening stock price, the question is whether this

is as good as it gets," he added.

Amazon Web Services, the Seattle company's cloud-computing business, was another standout, with revenue that jumped 81 percent to \$1.82 billion.

"AWS was particularly robust," said Cantor Fitzgerald analyst Youssef Squali. "We believe that Amazon is now starting to move away from the heavy



## American Airlines beats 2Q forecasts on cheap jet fuel

**DAVID KOENIG**  
**AP Airlines Writer**

**FORT WORTH, Texas (AP)** — Dramatically cheaper jet fuel helped American Airlines nearly double its second-quarter profit to \$1.7 billion despite lower revenue. The world's biggest airline said Friday that it was American's most profitable quarter ever, after excluding one-time costs and

gains. Friday's results from American capped an astonishing earnings season for the nation's biggest airlines, several of which reported record profits in the April-through-June period. Still, American warned that a key revenue figure will decline in the third quarter, and the stock fell 7 percent. Investors worry that cheap-

er fuel is tempting the airlines to grow too fast, leading to lower prices after five straight years in which airfares rose faster than inflation. American doesn't disclose average fares, but a key figure shows that passengers paid less per mile in the second quarter than they did last summer, and a top American executive said that trend could continue into the second

half of next year. American's message to investors Friday was, don't be fixated on revenue per seat. "Our largest cost has fallen 50 percent" since last summer, said CEO Doug Parker. "The revenues haven't fallen nearly as much as the costs have fallen, and as a result earnings are growing." American's fuel bill

dropped by more than \$1 billion — a 37 percent savings — compared with the same quarter last year. That helped American Airlines Group Inc. report net income of \$2.41 per share. Adjusted profit, which excludes one-time costs, was \$2.62 per share, topping the \$2.58-per-share forecast from nine analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research. □

## AT&T buys DirecTV, now biggest traditional TV provider in US

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**AP Business Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Even as TV watchers increasingly go online, AT&T has become the country's biggest traditional TV provider with its \$48.5 billion purchase of DirecTV. It got its regulatory approval Friday from the Federal Communications Commission after more than a year. The Justice Department had already cleared the deal on Tuesday. AT&T Inc. now has 26.4 million cable and satellite TV subscribers. That's more than Comcast as well as a bigger Charter, which is seeking government approval to buy Time Warner Cable. Suppliers of TV are buying one another as video from Internet competitors like Netflix gets more popular and costs rise for channels. Adding TV customers gives AT&T more power to negotiate with big media companies over prices for those



**This combo of photos shows the AT&T logo on the side of a corporate office in Springfield, Ill., left, and a DirecTV satellite dish atop a home in Los Angeles. AT&T's \$48.5 billion purchase of DirecTV is set to close after winning clearance from the Federal Communications Commission, according to reports, Friday, July 24, 2015.**

(AP Photos)

channels. The deal also combines a nationwide satellite TV service, the country's largest, with the No. 2 nationwide

wireless network as time spent on mobile devices increases. DirecTV also has 19.5 million customers in Latin America, where AT&T

wants to grow. "We'll now be able to meet consumers' future entertainment preferences, whether they want

traditional TV service with premier programming, their favorite content on a mobile device, or video streamed over the Internet to any screen," said AT&T CEO Randall Stephenson in a statement. What could change for customers? AT&T said that it will launch new TV, Internet and mobile phone bundles in the coming weeks. AT&T's purchase of DirecTV was approved even as Comcast's bid for Time Warner Cable, which would have made the country's biggest cable company even more massive, was blocked. The AT&T deal did not trigger the same fears from consumer advocates because the company wouldn't contain an entertainment division like Comcast's NBCUniversal and wouldn't gain Internet customers, considered the future of the industry, by buying DirecTV. □

## Visa 3Q earnings jump 25 percent, beat estimates

**KEN SWEET**  
**AP Business Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Visa Inc. said its fiscal third-quarter profit jumped 25 percent, helped by a double-digit rise in payments processed on its network. However Visa executives emphasize they are not seeing as robust U.S. consumer spending as they hoped. The San Francisco-based payment processing company earned \$1.7 billion after payments to preferred shareholders, compared

to a profit of \$1.36 billion a year earlier. On a per share basis, the bank earned 69 cents per Class A share, compared with 54 cents per share a year earlier. The results easily topped estimates. Analysts surveyed by FactSet expected earnings of 58 cents per share. Net revenue at Visa totaled \$3.52 billion, up from \$3.15 billion a year earlier. Customers spent \$1.2 trillion on Visa's network, up 11 percent from a year ago, in the latest quarter. Visa

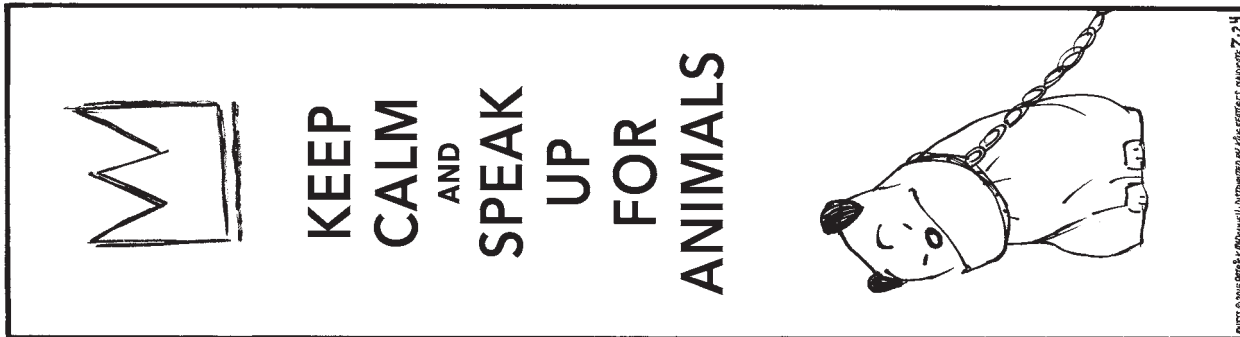
takes a small percentage of every transaction processed on its network as a fee, which is almost always paid by the merchants who accept Visa credit or debit cards. Visa had 2.42 billion cards issued on Visa's network, up 7 percent from a year earlier. In the U.S., where more than half of Visa card transactions are processed, payment volume rose 8.7 percent versus a year ago. But Visa CEO Charles Scharf said in a confer-

ence call with investors that, despite the payment growth in U.S., the company had seen "very little improvement with the U.S. consumer in our numbers thus far, if any." "There are positive signs in employment and housing and lower gas prices should help, but we'll have to wait and see," Scharf added. Due to its involvement with millions of credit and debit card transactions each day, Visa is heavily

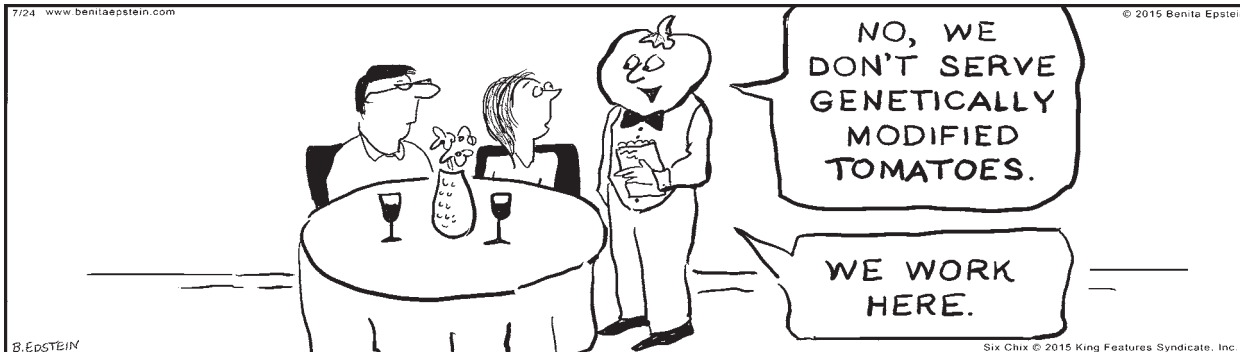
exposed to swings in U.S. consumer spending behavior. Investors often look to Visa as a metric to measure how the U.S. consumer is doing. Separately, Scharf confirmed that Visa remains in early merger talks with Visa Europe, a separate payment processing company that also runs a payment network in Europe. The companies are not ready to announce a deal, and would likely come later this year. □



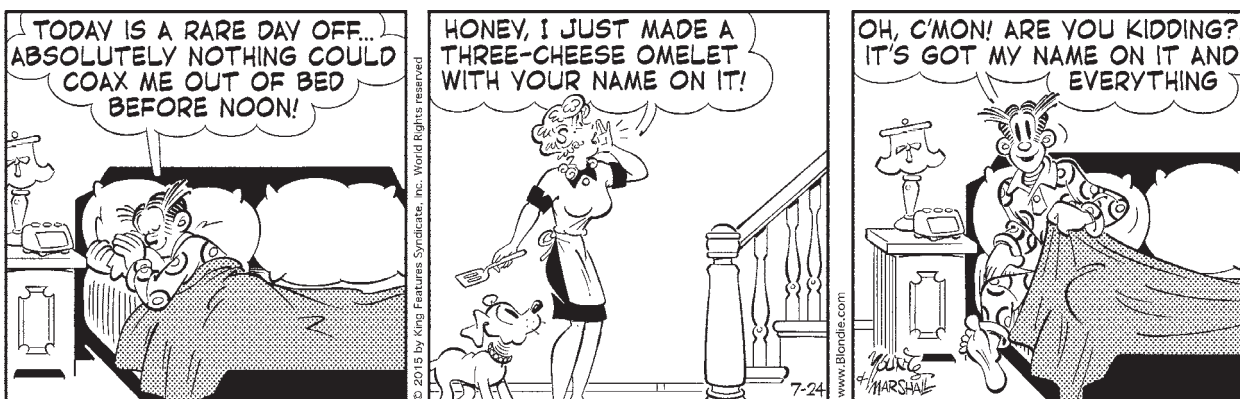
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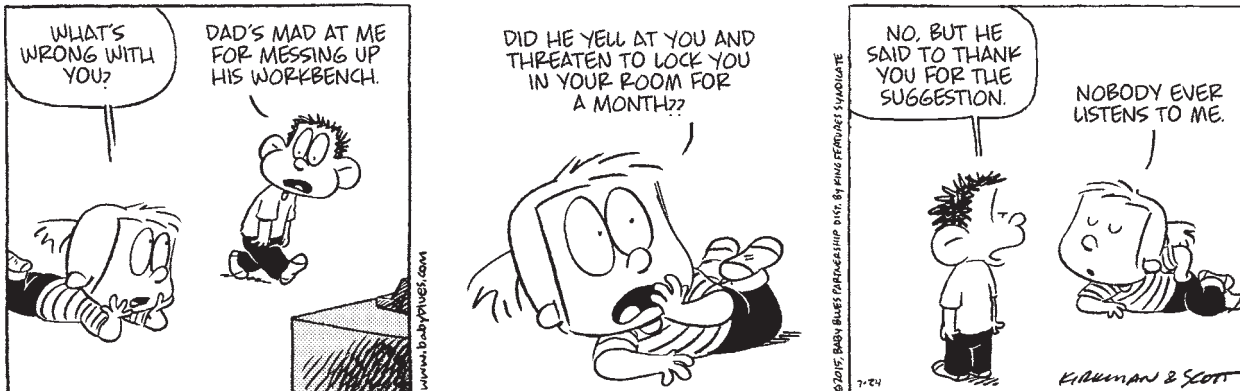
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

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- Keep \_\_ on; watch closely
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- Bits of parsley
- Driver
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- Clever; tricky
- Mutt
- Military post
- Elementary school grade
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- Picture border
- Door hanger's metal piece
- Lifesavers
- Tattered
- Once \_\_ blue moon
- Walkway
- Wooden shoe
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- Midwestern state
- Bring together
- Bodies of water
- Bleachers level
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- Waterproof covering
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- Chris of tennis
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## Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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# Proposed label would give context to recommended sugar in foods



**MARY CLARE JALONICK**  
Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Friday proposed that nutrition facts labels include the percentage of a person's recommended daily intake of added sugars in a food item — the "percent daily value."

Adding new line for added sugars, or those that don't occur naturally, is part of an overhaul of the nutrition facts label proposed last year by the Obama administration.

While the labels include percent daily values for other nutrients, the proposal didn't include one for added sugars. Since then, a government advisory committee recommended that people get no more than 10 percent of calories daily from added sugars.

The FDA proposal would be based on that number, meaning that added sugars should be no more than 200 calories, or about 50 grams, in a recommended daily diet of 2,000 calories. So if a food label says something has 50 grams of added sugars, the percent daily value for added sugars would be listed as 100 percent.

"For the past decade, consumers have been advised to reduce their intake of

added sugars, and the proposed percent daily value for added sugars on the Nutrition Facts label is intended to help consumers follow that advice," said Susan Mayne, director of the FDA's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

Currently, the nutrition facts label lists percent daily values for total fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium, total carbohydrates, dietary fiber, iron, calcium and vitamins A and C.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest, an advocacy group that has pushed for more information on nutrition facts panels, called the FDA's move "a major public health victory," pointing out that a 20 ounce sugary soda can have 130 percent of the sugar a person is supposed to consume in a day.

The sugar industry said there isn't enough science to justify the proposal.

"The Food and Drug Administration has an important role in our nation's food supply to ensure that consumers are not misled by positive or negative claims about the food and beverages they purchase and consume," The Sugar Association said in a statement. The FDA said the proposal is open for public

comment for 75 days. The agency is also re-opening public comment on the larger nutrition facts panel overhaul first proposed in March 2014. A final rule determining what the new panels will look like will come after the agency reviews the comments.

In addition to a new line for added sugars, the new la-

bels proposed by the FDA last year would make calories more prominent and serving sizes more realistic. The idea is to make the labels less cluttered and more user-friendly. □

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## Conditions on Pluto: Incredibly hazy with flowing ice

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(AP) — Pluto is hazier than scientists expected and appears to be covered with flowing ice.

The team responsible for the New Horizons flyby of Pluto last week released new pictures Friday of the previously unexplored world on the edge of the solar system.

"If you're seeing a cardiologist, you may want to leave the room," principal scientist Alan Stern teased at the opening of the news conference at NASA headquarters.

"There are some pretty mind-blowing discoveries." NASA's New Horizons spacecraft, now 7.5 million beyond Pluto, has detected layers of haze stretching 100 miles (160 kilometers) into the atmosphere, much higher than anticipated. All this haze is believed to account for the dwarf planet's reddish color.

If you were standing on Pluto and looking up, you probably wouldn't notice the haze, said George Mason University's Michael Summers. In fact, New Horizons had to wait until after its closest approach on July 14, so the sun would silhouette Pluto and the atmosphere could be measured by means of the scattered sunlight.

As for the ice flows, they



This image made available by NASA on Friday, July 24, 2015 shows Pluto made by combining several images from two cameras on the New Horizons spacecraft.

Associated Press

appear to be relatively recent: no more than a few tens of millions of years, according to William McKinnon of Washington University in St. Louis. That compares with the 4.5 billion-year age of Pluto and the rest of the solar system.

To see evidence of such recent activity, he said, is "simply a dream come true."

Temperatures on Pluto are minus 380 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 229 degrees Celsius), and so water ice would not move anywhere

in such extreme cold. But McKinnon said the nitrogen and other ices believed to be on Pluto would be geologically soft and therefore able to flow like glaciers on Earth.

Some of that plutonian ice seems to have emptied into impact craters, creating ponds of frozen nitrogen. One of those semi-filled craters is about the size of metropolitan Washington D.C., McKinnon said.

These latest findings support the theory that an underground ocean might

exist deep beneath Pluto's icy crust, McKinnon said.

These ice flows — which might still be active — are found on Pluto's vast icy plain, now called Sputnik Planum after Earth's first man-made satellite. The plain is about the size of Texas and occupies the left side of Pluto's bright heart-shaped feature, named Tombaugh Regio after the late astronomer who discovered Pluto in 1930, Clyde Tombaugh.

It's evident now that the two "lobes" of the heart are quite different; Stern speculated that nitrogen snow could possibly be blowing from the brighter left, or western, side to the right.

One of Pluto's newly discovered mountain ranges now bears the name of Sir Edmund Hillary, who along with Sherpa guide Tenzing Norgay conquered Mount

Everest in 1953. The New Horizons team already had named another series of mountains after Norgay.

The spacecraft traveled 3 billion miles over 9½ years to get the first close-up look of Pluto.

The New Horizons team stressed that most of the collected data are still aboard the spacecraft and will take more than a year to obtain. Over the next several weeks, much of the incoming transmissions will consist of engineering or other technical data — and only a few images.

But starting in mid-September, "the spigot opens again," promised Stern, a scientist at the Southwest Research Institute. From then until fall 2016, "The sky will be raining presents with data from the Pluto system. It's going to be quite a ride." □

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## WWE cuts ties with Hulk Hogan amid report that he used slurs

**STAMFORD, Conn. (AP)** — World Wrestling Entertainment Inc. has severed ties with Hulk Hogan amid a report that one of the biggest stars in professional wrestling history used racial slurs in a conversation caught on a sex tape. The company deleted most references to Hogan on its website and issued a statement Friday saying it had terminated its contract with him. WWE did not give a reason, but issued a statement saying it is "committed to embracing and celebrating individuals from all backgrounds as demonstrated by the diversity of our employees, performers and fans worldwide." On Friday, a joint report from RadarOnline.com and The National Enquirer said that Hogan had used racial slurs in a conversation caught on a sex video that is the subject of an invasion of privacy lawsuit.

In a statement, the 61-year-old Hogan apologized for using "offensive language" in a conversation eight years ago. "It was unacceptable for me to have used that offensive language; there is no excuse for it; and I apologize for having done it," Hogan said, calling his departure from a WWE a resignation. His attorneys did not immediately return messages left by The Associated Press. Hogan, perhaps the biggest star in WWE's five-decade history, was the main draw for the first WrestleMania in 1985 and was a fixture for years in its signature event, facing everyone from Andre The Giant and Randy Savage to The Rock and even company chairman Vince McMahon. He won six WWE championships and was inducted into the WWE Hall of Fame in 2005 by Sylvester Stallone. But he was able to transcend his "Hulkamania" fan base to become a celebrity outside the wrestling world, appearing in numerous movies and television shows, including a reality show about his life on VH1, "Hogan Knows Best." Hogan is currently seeking \$100 million from the website Gawker for posting part of the sex tape of him with Heather Cole, the ex-wife of Hogan's one-time friend and radio show host Bubba the Love Sponge Clem. □



In this Oct. 15, 2012 file photo, former professional wrestler Hulk Hogan, whose real name is Terry Bollea, arrives for a news conference at the United States Courthouse in Tampa, Fla.

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## Angelina Jolie to direct war drama for Netflix



In this Jan. 15, 2015 file photo, Angelina Jolie arrives at the 20th annual Critics' Choice Movie Awards at the Hollywood Palladium, in Los Angeles. Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Angelina Jolie is teaming up with Netflix to direct an adaptation of "First they Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers." The online streaming service announced the news Thursday. The film will be based on Loung Ung's memoir of her experiences during the Khmer Rouge regime as a child. It's expected to be available on Netflix in late 2016. Jolie co-adapted the

script with Ung. The actress and director says the memoir deepened her understanding of how children experience war. It also helped reinforce her connection to Cambodia, where her son Maddox was born. Jolie recently directed the Louis Zamperini biopic "Unbroken" and is in post-production on the drama "By the Sea," in which she also acts alongside her husband, Brad Pitt. □

## 50 years later, Dylan's electric guitar returns to Newport



In this Aug. 3, 2002, file photo, Bob Dylan plays an electric guitar at the Newport Folk Festival in Newport, R.I. Associated Press

**MICHELLE R. SMITH**  
Associated Press

The guitar that Bob Dylan used to go electric at the Newport Folk Festival 50 years ago is back in Newport. "Dylan's guitar is home," festival producer Jay Sweet said through a spokeswoman Friday, the opening day of this year's three-day outdoor festival. Dylan used the Fender

Stratocaster in his performance on July 25, 1965, when he strode on stage in a leather jacket and launched into the song "Maggie's Farm." The performance drew a mix of boos and cheers from the audience, from some who were thrilled by the performance and others who felt abandoned by someone who until then had been best known for singing protest songs with an acoustic guitar.

The moment is considered one of the most important moments in rock history. Jim Irsay, owner of the NFL's Indianapolis Colts, bought the guitar in 2013 for \$965,000. It was the most expensive guitar ever sold at auction. The curator of his rare guitar collection brought it to the festival Friday. This weekend's festival is paying tribute to Dylan's performance in a number of ways, including a still-secret lineup of around a

dozen acts on Sunday that will not be revealed until they step on stage. The festival is also hosting a discussion of a book out this month that examines the performance, and what led up to it, "Dylan Goes Electric! Newport, Seeger, Dylan, and the Night that Split the Sixties," by Elijah Wald.

Organizers say they also hope the guitar can be played this weekend, although it has not been played in public in 50 years. It's not clear yet who will play the guitar, although Sweet has said repeatedly that while an invitation was extended to Dylan, he would not be coming to the festival this year. The last time he played at the Newport Folk Festival was in 2002.

"It (the guitar) is such an important part of musical history, and Dylan was our generation's Shakespeare, so it's our way to give back and share," Irsay said. □

## NY jury: Rapper 50 Cent must pay \$2M in sex-tape lawsuit

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Rapper 50 Cent must pay an additional \$2 million in punitive damages to a woman featured in a sex tape posted online, a jury decided Friday.

The decision came two weeks after jurors ordered the multiplatinum-selling artist to pay \$5 million to Lastonia Leviston.

Leviston's invasion-of-privacy lawsuit argues that 50 Cent, born Curtis Jackson III, posted online a crudely narrated 13-minute sex-tape she made with a boyfriend in 2008. In the video, he taunts rival rapper Rick Ross, who isn't featured in the video but has a child with Leviston.

After the jury's verdict, Jackson filed for bankruptcy protection in Connecticut.

A lawyer for Leviston had urged jurors to award her \$15 million. Jackson's attorney had asked them to



Rapper Curtis Jackson, also known as 50 Cent, leaves court after testifying in front of the jury about his finances, his business deals and the media attention surrounding his recent bankruptcy filing, Tuesday, July 21, 2015, in New York.

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order he pay \$700,000. Jackson's attorney, James Renard, said in a statement Friday that he was disappointed with the verdict. He said Jackson will ask the court to reduce the jury's award. □

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## Public divided over Smithsonian display of Bill Cosby's art

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Dozens of emails and comments left at the Smithsonian Institution show the public appears to be sharply divided over an exhibition featuring Bill Cosby's art collection, which the museum has stood behind since the comedian admitted obtaining drugs to give to women with whom he wanted to have sex.

The Smithsonian has received 35 emails about the exhibit in the month of July alone as of Wednesday, with the vast majority calling for the National Museum of African Art to take down its "Conversations" exhibit. The display, which is set to run through January, features Cosby's African-American art collection paired with African art. A few thanked the Smithsonian for keeping the exhibit on view.

In a comment book at the exhibit, however, visitors have left mostly positive messages spanning 74 pages. "Art is art. This is something worth seeing," one visitor wrote in a comment signed MC. "I'm glad the Smithsonian had the guts to keep the Cosby collection. Bravo!"

Emailed comments range from polite protests to angry questions over how the Smithsonian could showcase Cosby's collection. One called the display "sad and pathetic," while



In this Nov. 6, 2014, file photo, quilts from the Bill and Camille Cosby collection hang at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African Art in Washington.

Associated Press

another called it "disgusting." A few threatened to boycott the museum complex, cancel their memberships or withhold future donations.

"By continuing to display any works of art of, by, through Bill Cosby demonstrates and shows how the Smithsonian Institution feels about women," one person wrote. "We will no longer be supporters of The Smithsonian."

Names of those who emailed comments were redacted as a condition of their release to The Associated Press. The Smithsonian received a few comments before July but did not release those.

Messages began rolling in

after the Smithsonian told the AP in a story published July 12 why it was keeping the exhibit, funded by Cosby and his wife Camille. The museum has said the exhibit "is fundamentally about the artworks and the artists who created them, not the owners of the collections."

Comments also came after the Smithsonian posted a disclaimer online and in the museum saying it does not condone Cosby's alleged behavior. Museum experts and scholars have said taking an exhibit down would trample on the curatorial integrity and academic freedom behind its creation. The Smithsonian has been accused of censor-

ship for changing exhibits under pressure in the past. Numerous comments left in the comment book suggest many visitors see a distinction between the art and the celebrity who collected the pieces.

"Thank you for standing by the decision to exhibit and show this outstanding collection," wrote visitor Aaro Jean Bell-Reid of Silver Spring, Maryland. "We should remember that the real man behind this collection is (art scholar) David Driskell. Cosby only wrote the checks."

Driskell advised the Cosbys on building their art collection over several decades. The collection features many paintings and sculp-

tures by significant African-American artists, and most of the pieces have never been shown in public before.

Later, Bell-Reid said she would have a different view if Cosby had created the art in the exhibit.

In the art gallery Wednesday, many young visitors streamed through the galleries with camp or school groups, seemingly oblivious to the controversy.

Art lover George Bierlin, a retiree from Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, who spends part of the year in southern Maryland, sat down for a longer gaze at some of Cosby's family quilts and other artworks. He said he wanted to see it before it was possibly pulled down, which he said would be "the ultimate caving to political correctness." "To me, if you can't separate the art from the collector and the artist, then gee, I guess I should never see a Roman Polanski movie," he said, referring to the filmmaker who pleaded guilty to having sex with a 13-year-old girl in 1977. Ellen Bierlin, his wife, agreed, saying Cosby's controversy doesn't have anything to do with notable artworks the public hasn't been able to see before.

"One thing doesn't have anything to do with the other," she said. "I'm not agreeing with what he did or whatever, but that's that and this is this." □

## Rocker Vince Neil drops lawsuit over social media passwords

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Associated Press

**LAS VEGAS (AP)** — Motley Crue frontman Vince Neil got back his social media passwords after suing a consultant he hired to manage the accounts and accusing her of posting online without his consent, a lawyer for the rocker said Friday.

Kristy Sinsara handed over the passwords and the case was dismissed in early

June, attorney James Kohl confirmed. The breach-of-contract lawsuit accused Sinsara of holding the passwords hostage and making unauthorized posts.

Sinsara said Friday that Neil had the passwords all along. In the March lawsuit filed in state court in Las Vegas, Neil said he gave his Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter account passwords to Sinsara, who said she was a social media brand-

ing expert and would manage the accounts.

Sinsara offered to manage the profiles for free in exchange for promotion of her book and self-help website, according to court records. When Neil asked for the passwords in December 2014, Sinsara gave him the one for Twitter but not the others, according to the lawsuit. Later, Sinsara handed over the Facebook password but

enabled a security feature allowing access only from her computer, records say. Sinsara has said it was a misunderstanding. She disputed Friday that the case was dismissed because she handed over the passwords, saying Neil always had access to his accounts. "I did not give Vince Neil anything he did not already have," she said Friday in an email, adding that the rock star also could have

verified his account directly with Facebook.

The lawsuit turned into a case of who didn't like whom. It claimed Sinsara kept the passwords from Neil because she didn't like his girlfriend, Rain Hannah, and suspected Hannah would promote her business ventures on the rocker's accounts.

Sinsara said the lawsuit was filed because she stood up to Hannah. □



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